From: Nancy Sherrill
To: Sheret, Mary Ames
Date: 9/5/2007 2:26:25 PM
Subject: Re: Booth Family history inquiry

Hello,

Our Booth family file contains a series of six newspaper articles by local historian Mike McCormick on Booth Tarkington and the Terre Haute Booth family. The articles were published on April 21, 28, May 5, 12, 19, and 26, 1996. The file also contains a 1909 article on the death of Elizabeth Booth Tarkington, an old but undated article on the death of Walter Booth, the 1947 obituary of Judge Fenton Booth, and copies of 15 typed pages on the "Booth and Huffman Genealogy compiled by Lyman Booth."

B. Booth, retired merchant, is listed on pages 199 and 200 of H. W. Beckwith's History of Vigo and Parke Counties. Hannah and her son Newton Booth are mentioned on page 156 of Oakey's Greater Terre Haute and Vigo County.

We do have the Terre Haute city directories on microfilm back to 1858 although there is not a directory for every year. B. Booth, merchant, is listed at the corner of 6th and Ohio in the 1858 directory. Newton Booth, attorney, is listed at the same address. Beebe Booth was listed in the directories as B., B. B., Bebe, Bee, and Beebe through 1882. In 1872-73 he was listed as retired. Newton Booth was only listed in 1858, and Lucius was listed from 1877 through 1882. Mrs. Hannah was only listed in 1880-81. The address varied through the years--southeast corner 6th & Ohio, northwest corner 6th & Ohio, north side of Walnut east of 5th, 510 Walnut, 607 Ohio--but seemed to stay in the same general area.

I checked the Wabash Courier (a weekly) for 24 Sept. and 1 Oct. 1842 but didn't find an account of the marriage of Mary Booth and George Ames. According to one of Mike McCormick's articles, Beebe died at the home of his daughter Mary Ames in Greencastle IN. Beebe was buried in Paris IL with his son Walter, who had been mayor of Paris. I did find an obituary for Beebe Booth on page one of the 9 March 1888 Terre Haute Evening Gazette.

You might try contacting the Edgar County Genealogical Society, 408 N. Main, Paris IL 61944-1549, (217) 463-4209, to see if the Paris IL cemetery has been copied.

I could copy the contents of the Booth file, the city directories, county history entries, and obituaries for $10.00. Payment may be sent to my attention at Vigo County Public Library, One Library Square, Terre Haute IN 47807.

Nancy Sherrill
Genealogy Librarian

Booth, Beebe - Oakey p 159
Bradsby p 133, 237, 240
Beckwith p 199, 200,
Oakey p 356, 366
Hannah Bradsby p 240
Oakey p 156

From: "Mary Ames Sheret" <masheret@ec.rr.com>
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Subject: Booth Family history inquiry

Hello!

I am researching family history and am interested in materials you may have regarding the Booth family. Beebe Booth and wife Hannah Pitts Booth moved to Terre Haute, Indiana in 1841 from Salem Indiana. Their children were Elizabeth, Newton (Governor of California in 1871), Mary, Walter, Lyman, Lucius.

Booths in History p 139 - Newton

Beebe opened the "B. Booth and Company" drygoods store on Wabash Ave. on Court Ave. I do not know the dates of this business. Are there city directories dating to the mid 19th century?

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Beebe Booth was also a newspaper proprietor, cotton mill operator, wool mill owner, and with Ebenezer Patrick, published the book "The Life of Bonaparte." I don't know any details.

I do not know if Beebe and Hannah were buried in Virgo County or elsewhere.

- Paris 92

Daughter Mary Booth married George Ames, a Methodist minister, on September 20, 1842 in Terre Haute. Perhaps there is a newspaper account of that wedding. Do you have mid 19th century Terre Haute newspapers on microfilm?

Not in Wabash Courier

(Elizabeth Booth Tarkington was the Mother of Newton Booth Tarkington, the author of the Magnificent Ambersons and other books. I know his papers are in the Indiana Historical Society collections.)

Thank you for any leads or suggestions for places for further research.

Mary Ames B. Sheret

Wilmington, North Carolina

Mike Mc Cormick articles april 21, 28, May 5 may 12, may 19 May 26 1996

Wabash Courier Sept 24, 1842 - 0
" " Oct 1, 1842 - 0

1858 - ✓ Booth, B. merchant, Ohio cor. 6th
" Newton [Booth + B] Ohio corner 6th
Booth + Booth - attorneys

1863 - ✓ Booth, B - res cor. 6th + Ohio

1864 - ✓ Booth, Bebe - res. cor 6th + Ohio

1868 - ✓ Booth, B. B. - res cor 6th + Ohio

1871-72 - ✓ Booth, B - res. SE corner 6th + Ohio

1872-73 - ✓ Booth, B - retired h. SE corner 6th + Ohio

1874-75 - ✓ Booth, Beebee - res. N.W corner Ohio + 7th

1876 - ✓ Booth, Beebee, res. N. side Walnut e. 5th

1877 - ✓ Booth, Bee - res 510 Walnut
" Lucius " " "

1878-79 - ✓ Booth, Beebee res 607 Ohio
" Lucius " " "

1879-80 - ✓ Booth, Beebe B - 607 Ohio
" Lucien " "

1880-81 - ✓ Booth, Beebe - res 607 Ohio
" Mrs Hannah " "
" Lucius " "

1881 - ✓ Booth, Beebe - res 607 Ohio
same as above

1882 - ✓ Beebe + Lucius but not Hannah

1883 - 0

1884 - 0

1885 - 0

From: "Mary Ames Sheret" <masheret@ec.rr.com>
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Subject: Booth obituaries

Hello!

I located a biography of Beebe Booth on the Vigo County Historical Society website. It was one of the Wabash Valley Profiles. Fantastic!!

d. in Greencastle

Would it be possible to locate an obituary for Beebe Booth, who died on March 8, 1888, in Terre Haute Indiana?

Evening Gazette 9 March 1888 p1

not in WPA death rec + not on IGI death CD

Would it be possible to locate an obituary for his wife, Hanna or Hannah Pitts Booth, who died in 1890, but I don't know the exact date?

Buried in Edgar Co. Cem in Paris

Thank you very much!

Mary Ames B. Sheret

Wilmington NC

Booth, John
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92-Year-Old Resident Has Varied Career

By DOROTHY J. CLARK

Ind. Star Sept 4-1960

Anyone who has attained the age of four score and twelve years and has observed nearly a century of living has an interesting story to tell. This is certainly true of John Booth of 1906 North Eleventh street, who was the oldest coal miner in attendance at the Miners' Picnic held last month in this city.

Mr. Booth was born June 21, 1868, in Boone County, Iowa, the son of James L. Booth, a former resident of Clay County, Indiana. The Booth family returned to Clay County when John was just a boy and his first job, at the age of 16 years was in the block coal mine, the Vandalia, in Clay County.

Dorothy J. Clark

Work in the local coal mines only lasted from August to March in those days, then the miners would find summer jobs on nearby farms, wherever they could find work. That first summer John went to Iowa with his brother to work on the old homeplace farm. When this work ran out they got a job on the railroad using the business end of a shovel and when this work slacked off John drove a team in St. Joseph, Mo. At this time the city was cutting down the streets and laborers were needed.

When winter time came the earth froze solid and deep, and the blocks of frozen earth were moved by throwing a log chain around them and hauling them away by mule team. The ground was plowed up and froze again, and this process continued til the project was finished.

Mr. Booth drove a pair of mules from St. Joseph to Boone, Iowa, and hauled coal there over a pontoon bridge across the Des Moines River. When this job finished he earned his living by cutting wood for fifty cents a day. This was second-growth timber and required both the saw and an axe.

Heads Back East.

His next job was on a farm taking care of stock for $18 a month. After a few weeks he struck out with a friend to try and find work in the east. Getting kicked off the train, they got jobs on a railroad section gang, but as work slacked off and they were the newest men hired, they were soon out of a job again. Batching in an old barn and eating "mulligan stew," the two worked as harvest hands in the hay field for a month. Because of his experience with driving a team, Booth was chosen to drive the hay rake, healthy hard work for a young man of 19.

The next year John Booth worked in the old Churchill Mine in Clay County; also the Old Louise Mine at Centerpoint, and the mine known as Number Five. From here he went to Jasonville and helped drill the tests on the leased land and at Dugger for a short time at the Clark Bros. Mine just before it was shut down. He boarded with Johnny Exline while waiting for the Midland Mine to open up and again worked in the hay field.

Every old-time coal miner in the Wabash Valley will recognize this familiar pattern—of waiting for mines to open, of being out of work during the summer months and having to find other employment to support themselves and their families, of slate falls and water coming into the mines, and the ever constant danger of falling or rotting timbers. Beginning miners were hired for day work which didn't pay as well as the four or five dollars a day the more experienced miners drew when they worked their own "room." Day workers cleaned up slate falls and put cars back on their tracks, etc. All young miners were ambitious to get their own room and dig coal on a "piece work" or tonnage basis.

About this time John's folks had moved to Hadleytown, so he came home for awhile to work on the farm before going to Hymera to work in a pick mine for four years. All the rest of the mines had converted to machine, but John drove entry, working double-shift until the mine shut down.

Marries at 39.

At the age of 39 John Booth married Susan Carrithers whose folks were neighbors of the Booth family in Clay County. Some of their friends and neighbors had been out to North Dakota and field a claim, so John and his brother decided to go out and take up claims also. They built sod houses first, then barns and chicken houses also out of sod. His brother was handy with a trowel and plastered the houses neatly with gumbo and horsehair. Their claims were eighty miles from a railroad, and this was frontier life indeed. The Booths' two oldest children were born out there in the sod house.

When the opportunity came to sell the claim at a profit, they came back here to Clay county. Part of the money was invested in two fine teams of mules and horses and for a short time Mr. Booth was in the freighting business hauling loads of lumber, household goods, fruit trees, etc., from the jumping off point to the new homesteaders. Gradually the other homesteaders took over that means of income, and Mr. Booth began working on building gravel roads in Clay County. For a time he worked in Seelyville delivering poles for telephone lines with his three teams—two teams delivering the poles and one team with the supply wagon. He followed this project to Gerencastle and then came home. He hauled clay in the nice weather and coal in the winter time.

He rented an old farm for three years and lost two crops, so back to the imne again. He worked at the Old Battle Axe at Hymera until it was boot-top deep with water; then at the Seelyville Mine until it was worked out and shut down. He drove mules and horses, freighting mine supplies, etc., before gravel roads. This was to the Richards Coal Company mine. Next he moved west of Seelyville, hauling corn from North Terre Haute to Seelyville. On this farm he fed 75 head of steers and 100 head of mules, beginning very early in the morning.

Other memories of his coal mining days include riding the miner's train to Shirkieville and the Milwaukee train to Blackhawk. Mr. Booth is in remarkably good health for his years, keeping active by taking daily walks and visiting his relatives.

Living with one daughter, Mrs. Mary Rollings, he also has a daughter, Mrs. Harriett Dyer, of New Goshen, and a son, John Ross Booth, of Indianapolis. Mr. Booth has nine grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Many times when a person attains a great age they are the only ones left in their family, but this is not the case with the Booth family. Mr. Booth has three sisters—Mrs. Mary Nall, aged 87; Mrs. Lena Clancey, aged 84, and Miss Harriett Booth, aged 72, all of Cloverland. His two brothers, both retired coal miners, are Jeptha Booth, aged 82, of Sullivan; and Hawley Thomas Booth, aged 76, of RR 5.

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Youth needled as snobbish

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Historical Perspectives

By Mike McCormick
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The Booths of Terre Haute (Part I)

One hot summer day in 1875, Hannah Booth asked her visiting 6-year-old grandson to buy her a needle for a penny at Terre Haute's largest dry goods store — Hoberg, Root & Co.

The youth was unnerved, certain that a one-cent purchase would hold him in ridicule at the biggest store he had ever seen.

"Not at all," Hannah assured him. "When the clerk hands you the needle, give him the penny and say with a laugh, 'I believe this is the very smallest purchase I ever made in my life!' That'll make it all right."

Memorizing his grandmother's reassuring words, the boy strolled four blocks from the Booth home at the southeast corner of Sixth and Ohio over hot brick sidewalks lined with catalpa trees. Locusts hummed as the temperature soared during an Indiana heatwave.

The immense store seemed barren. As several clerks waved palm leaf fans, young Booth shyly approached the nearest salesperson — a man with whiskers — and described his need.

A needle wrapped in a wisp of paper was handed to the boy in exchange for a copper coin.

As rehearsed, young Booth chuckled aloud and blurted: "I believe this is the very smallest purchase I ever made in my life!"

The clerk stared at the young patron. Leaning over the counter, he finally asked: "What did you say?" The man's gaze was terrifying.

The laugh was missing when Booth repeated timidly, "I-I believe this is the very smallest purchase I ever made in my life!" Then he quickly turned toward the exit.

But the salesman implored the boy to return. One by one, other clerks were invited to meet the youngster: "Come here! I want you to hear something."

Soon every person in the big store was gawking at him. The man with whiskers prodded: "Say it again. Say it again!"

The boy had no choice. While staring at the floor, he repeated his remark once more.

The locusts buzzed much louder during his long, humble walk home.

"I felt that I was a shoddy little fellow exposed," Booth recalled 65 years later in the Saturday Evening Post. "My soul had been shown naked to the world and consisted of weaknesses, falsities and deformity. I'd been forced to strip before an audience that derisively saw me as I was, a wretched insectile impostor trying to pose as a person of large affairs familiar with important currency — five and ten dollar bills and such-like."

The humiliating incident taught the youth a lesson about snobbery but did not alienate him against Terre Haute, his favorite place to visit. Marshall, Ill., where cousin Fenton Booth lived, was fun, too.

Beebe and Hannah lived in a comfortable home on the spacious lot where young Booth's mother, Elizabeth, was reared. She had attended St. Mary-of-the-Woods College nearby. Trips west from Indianapolis, where Booth's father — Judge John S. Tarkington — practiced law, were frequent and festive.

The boy also looked forward to Uncle Newton's visits. His parents had christened him "Newton Booth Tarkington," simulating a special alliance.

Though he had forsaken a flourishing Terre Haute law practice in 1860 for a wholesale grocery business in Sacramento, Uncle Newton Booth had been the family idol even before becoming governor of California in 1871.

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Booths made mark on city

Booth family

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Historical Perspectives

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The Booths of Terre Haute (Part II)

Two-time Pulitzer Prize-winning novelist Booth Tarkington wrote about maternal grandfather Beebe Booth with justifiable family reverence.

Before moving his family to Terre Haute in 1841, the elder Booth already had etched an indelible mark on the Hoosier state. A direct descendant of Puritan minister Thomas Hooker, Beebe was born March 29, 1793, in Woodbridge, Conn. After serving in the War of 1812, he migrated by horseback to Salem in Washington County, Ind., where — with Ebenezer Patrick — he founded "The Tocsin," one of the state's first newspapers.

The pair also printed "The Life of Bonaparte" in 1818, recognized today as the first book published in Indiana.

Surrendering his printing interests to Patrick in 1823, Booth and David Campbell built two mills, one for cotton and one for wool. Both thrived.

Meanwhile, he married Hannah Pitts, a Virginia native seven years younger. Their homesite at 311 E. Market St. — two doors east of the current museum where Abraham Lincoln's secretary and biographer John Milton Hay was born in 1838 — remains a Salem landmark.

Enduring an 1833 cholera epidemic, Hannah gave birth to six children, Mary, Walter, Newton, Elizabeth, Lyman and Lucius, between 1823 and 1838.

In Terre Haute, Beebe opened "B. Booth & Co.," a dry goods business, on the north side of Wabash Avenue near Court Square. Jonathan K. Greenough, a West Point graduate and civil engineer on the National Road who located in Marshall, Ill., became his junior partner.

Soon the family acquired a suburban tract from Capt. John Wasson's widow stretching from Ohio to Walnut streets on the east side of South Sixth, the "Booth homestead" for many years.

The Linton mansion grounds encompassed an entire square block between Fifth and Sixth streets on Ohio. Though banker David Linton died in August 1835, his widow — formerly Mary Patterson — maintained the posh estate. Young Maggie Linton became Lizzie Booth's regular companion.

Across Ohio Street — west of pioneer Curtis Gilbert's second Terre Haute home — was the city's first cemetery, still extant in 1850 though displaced by Woodlawn as the community's primary burial ground in 1839.

The Booths' oldest son, Walter, and later younger son Lyman, were active in the family business. Newton — born Dec. 30, 1825, and well-educated in Salem by tutor John Irwin Morrison — enrolled at Asbury College in Greencastle soon after the family's relocation.

Elizabeth aspired to attend the female academy at St. Mary-of-the-Woods, which by the mid-1840s attracted adolescent girls from some of Indiana's finest families. The "good Sisters of Providence" stopped by the Booths' store when visiting St. Joseph's Church nearby.

After securing a college diploma in 1846, Newton studied under Terre Haute barrister William D. Griswold, later a prominent railroad executive. Already Lizzi Booth was enlisted at St. Mary-of-the-Woods.

Soon after Newton was admitted to the Indiana bar in 1849, three of his siblings moved and married, not necessarily in that order. In 1850, Lyman joined Jonathan Greenough in Marshall to launch a dry goods store, uniting in marriage with Fayetta Whitlock of Vandalia, Ill.

Walter wed Caroline Talbott and moved to Paris, Ill., opening the second store in the "Booth chain." Mary married George Ames of Greencastle.

For awhile Newton and Lizzie Booth — attractive, educated and single — were the creme-de-la-creme of Terre Haute's young social set.

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Lizzie Booth marriage joyous

Booth family

The Booths of Terre Haute (Part III)

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Historical Perspectives

By Mike McCormick
Special to the Tribune-Star

Energetic and attractive, Elizabeth Booth also was blessed with abundant intellect.

Neatly brushed hair framed subtle Native American features inherited from her father. Hannah Booth's rigid Quaker upbringing affected her demeanor.

If she was not Terre Haute's most poplular bachelorette, it may have been because likely admirers were intimidated.

When awards were distributed among 56 classmates at St. Mary-of-the-Woods College in August 1848, Lizzie seized highest honors in English composition and shared the top prize with Mary Benbridge of Lafayette in Reading, Orthography, Ancient Georgraphy, Botany, Mythology, Philosophy, Universal History, Ecclesiastical History, Rhetoric, French and German.

She earned second honors in Piano and Petit Point Needlework.

Though remaining a Protestant, Lizzie's fidelity to "The Woods" endured. Booth Tarkington's third novel, "The Two Vanrevels" — an historical romance probing social values during the Mexican War era — recounted muses from his mother's four-year experience there, even using her teachers' names.

Invariably, Tarkington credited his mother for kindling interest in writing, literature and dramatics.

When Indianapolis lawyer John Stevenson Tarkington — son of a Methodist minister — gained Elizabeth's notice in 1856, the engagement swiftly became the talk of the town.

By that time, Ohio Street — between Sixth and Seventh — was more densely populated.

In December 1853, resident trustee Thomas Dowling unveiled new Wabash & Erie Canal headquarters — residential in appearance — two lots east of the Booths. Next to canal office, dry goods dealer Lucius Ryce built a mansion.

Farther east, attorney John Palmer Usher — later Lincoln's secretary of Interior — and prosperous porkpacker Jacob Early, raised majestic side-by-side residences.

Jacob's son, Samuel, moved into his parents' manor at the current Indiana Theater site.

On the north, affluent but disdained distiller Ezra Smith — builder of Corithian Hall — erected a mansion in 1847, issuing over 500 invitations to an elegant housewarming.

An orchestra performed all evening, but only two guests surfaced. Smith vanished the next day and was declared "dead" seven years later.

Indiana's only federal judge, Elisha M. Huntington, eventually bought the Smith estate which, after the turn of the century, became the city's first YMCA.

The Tarkington-Booth wedding was a joyous occasion for more than one reason.

It belatedly celebrated Newton Booth's 1856 return from a five-year sojourn to California. He had reopened a law office in Terre Haute.

John and Margaret Usher's 5-year-old son, Linton, secretly peered through a window on Nov. 17, 1857 — one week after Lizzie's 24th birthday — to watch the marriage rite. Linton divulged the callow brashness to biographer William M. Balch 80 years later.

Steeped with Vigo County memories, Elizabeth did not adapt quickly to her Indianapolis surroundings. She visited the family in Terre Haute as often as possible.

Daughter Haute Tarkington, her first child born in 1858, was named after the town on the Wabash River where Elizabeth's spirit lingered.

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Booth becomes governor

Booth Family

The Booths of Terre Haute
Part IV

Historical Perspectives

By Mike McCormick
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"A merchant of the highest character."

"A legislator with extended experience."

"A man in the front ranks of scholars."

Those words, articulated on June 28, 1871 during the California Republican convention, described gubernatorial nominee Newton Booth. Since passing the Indiana bar exam 22 years before, Booth had accumulated fame and fortune.

Temporarily closing his Terre Haute law practice in September 1850, Newton departed New York for San Francisco aboard The Oregon on the voyage bearing official tidings California had become the nation's 31st state. Passing through the Panama Canal, he arrived Oct. 18.

Four months later Booth joined Charles Smith in a Sacramento wholesale grocery business, supplying mining camps. Brother Walter joined him but after an 1852 fire ruined "Booth & Smith," returned to become a businessman, civic leader and politician in Edgar County, Ill.

Newton and brother Lyman then founded "Booth & Co.," acquiring Kleinhans & Co., a rival California grocery chain. By 1856 both returned to the Wabash Valley, leaving a flourishing enterprise in others' hands.

"Lyman Booth & Co." relocated at Market and Hamilton streets in Marshall, Ill., while Newton joined forces with reputable Terre Haute attorney Harvey D. Scott.

Affable and urbane, Newton frequently lectured to the Terre Haute Literary Association and altered his political allegiance to Republicanism, influenced by acquaintance Abraham Lincoln.

Contemplating that Leland Stanford would be elected California's governor in 1861, the Stanford family placed their large grocery business on the market. Newton seized the opportunity, moving back to Sacramento, amassing a fine private library and successfully running for the state senate.

In 1868 he publicly opposed the large subsidies received by the Central Pacific Railroad with ex-Gov. Stanford as president. Anti-railroad newspapers, particularly The Sacramento Union, endorsed Booth's potential candidacy for governor.

His Dec. 8, 1871 inaugural address — after soundly defeating incumbent Gov. Haight — ranks among the most eloquent in California history.

The Booth administration featured the adoption of the state's initial legal codes and the founding of the University of California at Berkeley. Gov. Booth supported the Grange movement, police protection for Chinese immigrants — condemning past mob violence against scab labor — and advocated the abolition of capital punishment.

The bearded 45-year-old bachelor routinely sojourned to Terre Haute to visit Hannah and Beebe and acquaint himself with the expanding Booth family.

Caroline and Walter, selected president of the Paris, Ill., town council several times beginning in 1859, introduced him to their sons, Charles and Harry. Walter and D.A. Woodbridge employed bachelor Lucius at their Paris dry goods store.

Haute Tarkington was Newton's first niece. On May 12, 1869, Lyman and Fayetta Booth, already parents, spawned another nephew, Fenton. The next month Elizabeth's second child was born: Newton Booth Tarkington.

Elected an Indiana University trustee and esteemed as Marion Circuit Court judge, John Tarkington could not make ends meet in private practice. The Indianapolis family was struggling as the financial Panic of 1873 neared. In 1972, the Tarkingtons sold the 520 N. Meridian St. residence and rented a small home.

Aware of the family's plight, Gov. Booth issued an unusual invitation to sister:

"Visit with me for awhile in Sacramento! And be sure to bring little Haute and my nephew Newton Booth!"

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Uncle helped Tarkington

Booth family #5

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Booth Tarkington never forgot 1872, "the gilded year" he joined his mother Elizabeth and sister Haute in Sacramento with Uncle Newton Booth.

The Hoosier youth, only 3 years old, was pampered by his relative and the hardy circle of supporters who frequented the governor's mansion.

Bachelor Newton even hosted a fancy dinner for Booth's imaginary family, the Hunchbergs, and dog Simpledoria. The governor confided that he had an unseen childhood companion named Bill Hamersley.

In 1941 Tarkington would declare that he was the "only person alive to get howling drunk in the state of California in 1872," remembering a party when he tasted and retasted, champagne amid "people important to the affairs of state."

Memories from the lengthy California stay were assimilated into "Beasley's Christmas Story," a novel which, Mark Twain admitted, "brought tears to my eyes." Tarkington became "complacently aware that I owed some of my importance to the achievements of another person for whom I'd been named."

Gov. Booth nourished loyalty. On Nov. 28, 1873, the California Legislature chose him to succeed John S. Hager as the U.S. senator from California for a six-year term beginning in March 1875. Newton resigned as governor on Feb. 27, 1875.

Rail trips to and from the nation's capital justified interludes in Terre Haute and Indianapolis.

On May 17, 1876, at the Greenback Party's national convention, Sen. Booth was selected the party's candidate for vice president of the U.S. The presidential nominee was Peter Cooper of New York.

Booth rebuffed the unsolicited honor the next day, declaring his support for Republican Rutherford B. Hayes, a friend since his Terre Haute days.

While campaigning in Indianapolis the next month, Newton gave his sister a generous gift that enabled the Tarkingtons to build a "cathedral-like" home at 1100 N. Pennsylvania Ave.

Young Booth's long undisclosed clash with his fourth-grade teacher in 1880 resulted in anxiety and a nervous tic. He was withdrawn from school and sent to Terre Haute under his grandparents' supervision for seven months.

The visit fortified Booth's camaraderie with Fenton Booth, his contemporary cousin from Marshall, Ill., and offered him the chance to engage in tomfoolery. Once he locked an unsuspecting young girl in Grandma Hannah's parlor and headed for the Wabash River with a fishing pole.

Tarkington spent two weeks with cousin Fenton during the summer of 1882. He was fascinated by Marshall's town square, farmers' wagons drawn by magnificent horses and the parade, announcing the arrival of a circus, containing a band, elephants, clowns and a calliope.

Fenton owned a printing press and distributed a newspaper out of his parents' garage. Booth produced Punch and Judy theatricals. The pair offered multimedia entertainment to Lyman and Fayetta Booth's neighborhood.

"The timeless perfection of a boy's heaven," Marshall, or a town much like it, was the focus for Tarkington's first novel which he called, ironically, "A Gentleman from Indiana."

The cousins' boyish pranks were embodied in Tarkington's Penrod trilogy, better remembered today than his Pulitzer Prize-winning novels, "The Magnificent Ambersons" and "Alice Adams."

Years later, long after Fenton Booth achieved respect and distinction as chief judge of the U.S. Court of Claims in Washington, D.C., the author conceded his cousin's contribution to the devilish escapades of Penrod and Sam.

Final installment next week

Booths' legacy enduring

Booth family # 6

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Editor's note: This is the last installment in a series about the Booth family.

Historical Perspectives

By Mike McCormick
Special to the Tribune-Star

By 1882, the Booth era in Terre Haute — spanning almost half a century — was nearing its end.

When Beebe Booth turned 80 in 1873, the family subdivided and sold lots out of the large tract between Ohio and Walnut streets on the west side of South Sixth, retaining a home on Ohio Street near the corner.

Walter Booth, the oldest son, died on April 5, 1881, at age 58 after serving two terms as mayor of Paris, Ill.

Youngest son Lucius moved from Paris to 607 Ohio Street to care for his parents, both octogenarians. On Nov. 21, 1881, Lucius suddenly died at age 43. Mary Booth Ames' husband, George, died the same year.

Beebe and Hannah spent the ensuing winter with the Tarkingtons; thereafter, they alternated winter stays between daughters who lived in Greencastle and Indianapolis.

U.S. Sen. Newton Booth retired from politics upon completing one six-year term, resuming management of his Sacramento wholesale grocery business.

When truancy afflicted nephew Booth Tarkington at Shortridge High School, Newton enrolled his nephew in Philip Exeter Academy, a prestigious New Hampshire prep school. Tarkington later attended Purdue and Princeton universities, receiving financial aid from his prosperous California uncle.

Beebe died on March 8, 1888, two weeks before his 95th birthday, at Mary Ames' Greencastle home.

After the funeral in Indianapolis, he was buried next to Walter in Paris. Hannah survived about 17 months.

In early 1892, Newton developed a peculiar tongue infection. New York physicians did not recommend surgery.

Though a bachelor for 66 years, Booth married Octavia Payne Glover, a former business partner's widow, in February. He died on July 14.

Haute Tarkington was responsible for convincing publisher Samuel S. McClure that brother Booth was a credible author. Her persistence led to Tarkington's contract to publish "A Gentleman from Indiana."

Preserving a family tradition, Haute named one son "Newton Booth Tarkington Jamison."

After earning degrees from DePauw and Michigan universities, Fenton W. Booth was admitted to the Illinois bar. Defeated in a 1903 bid to be elected Clark Circuit Court judge, he was appointed to the U.S. Court of Claims. Fenton became a nationally-recognized jurist, until his retirement as chief justice.

Elizabeth Tarkington died on April 17, 1909, at age 76. After his unsuccessful first marriage, Booth Tarkington made 1100 N. Pennsylvania Ave. his primary residence.

Just before John S. Tarkington died on Jan. 30, 1923, Publishers Weekly named his son as "America's most significant contemporary author," ahead of Sinclair Lewis, Robert Frost, Carl Sandburg, Edith Wharton and Terre Haute's Theodore Dreiser.

By that time the Star Building was located on the real estate once occupied by one family, which included Indiana's first book publisher, co-founder of one of the state's first newspapers, a California governor, a U.S. senator, a vice presidential nominee, the mayor of Paris and the grandparents and one parent of a two-time Pulitzer Prize-winning author and the U.S. Court of Claims chief justice.

Indeed, the Booths of Terre Haute left an enduring legacy.

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DEATH OF MRS. TARKINGTON RECALLS HER RESIDENCE HERE

Old Friends of Years Ago Revert to the Sterling Worth of the Woman.

The death of Mrs. Elizabeth Booth Tarkington, which occurred in Indianapolis Saturday, was of particular interest to a great many local people. Although she lived for the last half century in Indianapolis, her girlhood was spent in Terre Haute, and she was well known by all the old families. She was the wife of John Tarkington and the mother of Booth Tarkington, the well known writer.

Her father, Beebe Booth, was a business man of Salem, where she was born, and when she was a child they moved to this city. While she lived here she was very prominent in the social life of the town and made friends who remained to her throughout her life. In 1857 she married John Tarkington and moved to Indianapolis.

She was a remarkable woman in many ways. During her early days she made a reputation for herself in amateur dramatics and she never lost her interest in the stage. Her son, the author, imputes to her most of the credit, not only for his dramatic writing, but for everything he has done in a literary way.

RECENT RAINS ARE BENEFIT TO VIGO COUNTY ROADS

Repairing of Damage Caused by Last Winter's Heavy Rains Will Cost Approximately $5,000

The roads and bridges of Vigo county were not injured in the least by the recent rains, according to a statement made Monday morning by Thomas Ryan, of the board of county commissioners.

"It requires a heavy beating rain to injure the roads," said Mr. Ryan. "The rain of the last week was an easy, steady rain and was a benefit rather than a damage, as it had a tendancy to pack and settle the road beds and make them more solid."

It was stated by members of the board that the repairs on roads and bridges washed out some time ago by the flood will cost approximately $5,000. At that time there was a strip of about a quarter of a mile long

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Terre Haute Tribune Tuesday April 20, 1909 p7

N.Y. Tribune
Tues., Apr. 20, 1909, p. 7.

Booth Family

VIGO COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Lila Logsdon
869 E. Jackson St.
Martinsville IN 46151

July 26, 1988

I am enclosing research reports on the Fisher and Booth families. As you can see, we did not find much information about your Fishers. However, we did find references to your Booths. Wade Booth was listed twice on the 1850 Vigo county census. (He must have moved from one township to another while the census was being taken.) Each time he had Fishers living in his household, including a 14 year old Jane. We also have a file on a Booth family which includes a paper by a Lyman Booth. I wonder if that is the same Lyman Booth who was one year old on the 1850 census. This paper is written in an odd format which makes it difficult to determine parents and children, but it mentions a Tongat family. According to this paper Wade Booth moved to Ogle county IL about 1854 and died there. His wife returned to Vigo county about 1857 or 1858 to live with her daughters and died a few years later. We did find a Jane Booth who died in 1863 at the age of 80. I wonder if the Fisher children went to Illinois with their grandparents and if Jane married there.

We did find references to the guardianship of the Warford Fisher heirs but the entries in the probate books did not name them. The index to guardianships refers to a "Box 57" regarding the Fisher heirs, but we do not have that on microfilm. The LDS Church filmed the Vigo county courthouse records but only filmed books and not the contents of boxes. I assume Box 57 is still in the courthouse.

If you would like copies of any of the items listed on the research reports, our charge is 10¢ per page, plus postage.

Nancy Sherrill

Nancy Sherrill
Genealogy Librarian

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The item(s) circled below indicate the record(s) searched for the surnames of: Fisher; Warford + Lovice (Booth), Eliza/Louisa Jane m. Jacob Roll in response to your request of 7-25-88.

(1) Miscellaneous Card File:
Did not find Warford, etc. Found Other Fishers

(2) Surname File:
Did not find ✓ Found _____

(3) Vigo County, Indiana, Index of Names of Persons and of Firms (in the county histories)
Did not find Warford, etc. Found Other Fishers, several Rolls but not Jacob

(4) Vigo County, Indiana, Marriage Licenses from 1818 to 1850:
Did not find ✓ Found _____

(5) W.P.A. Index to Marriage Record, Vigo County, 1840-1920:
Did not find _____ Found Levica Fisher m. Thomas Fairfield 24 March 1853 Book CB p 272 + Roll, Jacob Jr. m. N.J. Horsley 8 May 1867 Book 4 p 209

6. W.P.A. Index to Death Record, Vigo County, 1882-1920:
Did not find _____ Found _____

(7) Cemetery Records of Vigo County, Including All Born Prior to 1830 That Lived to Maturity:
Did not find Warford, etc. Found Other Fishers

(8) Cemeteries, Vigo County, Indiana (4 vols.):
Did not find Warford, etc. Found Other Fishers

(9) Woodlawn Cemetery, Terre Haute, Vigo County IN, Index of Burials Vol. 1 1839-1899 vol. 2 1900-March 1983:
Did not find Warford, etc. Found Other Fishers

(10) Census Index for the year 1850 & 1860:
Did not find _____ Found 1850 - No Warford or Lovice, no Louisa or Eliza in Vigo Co.
1860 - No Warford or Lovice
Only 2 Jacob Rolls - age 60 & age 4.

Other: (also check other side)

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The item(s) circled below indicate the record(s) searched for the surnames of: Booth; Wade + Jensey (Tunget), Lovice m. Fisher in response to your request of 7-25-88.

(1.) Miscellaneous Card File:
Did not find Wade, etc. Found Other Booths

(2.) Surname File:
Did not find _____ Found Booth Family - 8 page typed paper "Booth and Huffman Genealogy" by Lyman Booth lists Wade (over)

(3.) Vigo County, Indiana, Index of Names of Persons and of Firms (in the county histories)
Did not find Wade, etc. Found Other Booths

4. Vigo County, Indiana, Marriage Licenses from 1818 to 1850:
Did not find _____ Found _____

5. W.P.A. Index to Marriage Record, Vigo County, 1840-1920:
Did not find _____ Found _____

6. W.P.A. Index to Death Record, Vigo County, 1882-1920:
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(7.) Cemetery Records of Vigo County, Including All Born Prior to 1830 That Lived to Maturity:
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(8.) Cemeteries, Vigo County, Indiana (4 vols.):
Did not find Wade, etc. Found Other Booths

(9.) Woodlawn Cemetery, Terre Haute, Vigo County IN, Index of Burials Vol. 1 1839-1899 vol. 2 1900-March 1983:
Did not find _____ Found Jane Booth age 80 - buried 4-21-1863

(10.) Census Index for the year 1850 + 1860:
Did not find _____ Found 1850 - Wade Booth - Vigo Co p 137 + 294
1860 - No Wade Booth

Other: (also check other side)

#2 Hampton Booth m. Jane Tongat Huffman and had 13 children, including Lavicia m. "Manford" Fisher & had 9 children. Lists Jane Tongat as daughter of Tillis Tongat Sr., granddaughter of Tillis Sr., great granddaughter of Thomas Tongat, a soldier in the Revolution.

#10 - Honey Creek Twp, Vigo Co. Ind. 18 Oct 1850 p137

#110/114	Isbell, Henderson	35	M	Farmer	Ky
	" Marian	25	F		IN
	" Lucinda	7	F		"
	" Joseph	2	M		"
115	Booth, Wafd	66	M	Farmer	Virginia
	" Jane	68			"
	Fischer, John Wesley	5	M		IN
	Kerbey, Elisabeth	19	F		"
	Fischer, Jane	14	F		Ill
	" Peter	11	M		IN
	" Margaret H	8	F		"
	McGuffey, Ebenezer	18	M	Laborer	"

Prairie Creek Twp, Vigo Co. Ind 5 Nov 1850 p 294

#119/119	Wade Booth	69	M	Farmer	Virginia
	Jane "	70	F		"
	Jane Fisher	14	F		Indiana
	Eleanor "	7			"
	John "	5			"
#118/118	Mary Watts	45	F	Farmer	Virginia
	Harriett Booth	21	F		Indiana
	John "	26			"
	Lyman "	1			"

Index to Settled Guardianships & Estates
Wards of Warford Fisher - Guardian Bryan Tichenor - Letters issued 17 June 1848 - Settled April 1850 - Box 57

No Booths
Probate Book 4 p236, Probate Book 5 p 280 - Heirs not named

July 25, 1988

Hello!

I am seeking information about my great grandmother, Eliza/Louisa Jane Fisher. Her father Warford Fisher is in the Vigo Co. census index for the years 1830 and 1840. His wife was Lovice (Booth) Fisher. Her father, Wade Booth is also in your county 1830 and 1840. I have always heard that Eliza/Louisa was orphaned quite young. Are there any death records for her parents, or wills? What about wills or death records for her grandparents, Wade and Jensay (unquet) Booth? Or who took Eliza/Louisa when she was orphaned?

Eliza/Louisa Jane Fisher married Dec. 9, 1853 to Jacob Roll. Was that marriage in your county?

Any information you can give me will be greatly appreciated! Thank you for your consideration!

Sincerely,
Lila Logsdon
869 E. Jackson St.
Martinsville, IN 46151

P.S. I don't know what year Eliza/Louisa was born but her parents were married July 13, 1828 in Washington Co., IN.

Booth Family

June Ade
5536 Newburg Rd.
Durand MI 48429-9132

November 17, 1995

Enclosed are copies of Susan Watts/Walls marriages to Lyman Watts and Andrew Fisk. Although the marriage license definitely looks like Walls, I found in our surname Booth file *Booth and Huffman Genealogy* compiled by Lyman Booth. (15 pgs.) It contained the following: "Susan Booth was married twice. First to Lyman Watts, second to Andrew Fisk. She had two children by Watts and six by Fisk. Lyman Watts Jr. married Mary Paddock and they had one child (name unknown). She was related to the Paddocks of Ashton IL. Moses Watts married, wife's name unknown. The Fisk children were Martha, Josiah, Andrew Jr., Samuel, William, and Maria."

There are also 20 pgs. of correspondence requesting information on Booths and answers to those letters.

The Paddock surname file is a very large one. It contains a booklet *Mayflower Lineage - ROBERT PADDOCK - JOHN ALDEN and some of their descendants* compiled by Frances L. Ferguson of LaGrange IN. It has 110 pages and contains many charts and records of baptisms into the Church of Latter Day Saints.

The file also has five folders; histories, Bible entries, charts, correspondence and miscellaneous.

The histories folder has a "Short History of the Paddock Family" beginning with Ebenezer Paddock, compiler not stated. 13 pgs.; "Paddock Genealogy" compiled by Charlotte Brett, Spencer IA, 1972, beginning with Ebenezer Paddock b. c.1740 in Maryland. 5 pgs.; First, Second and Third Generations in America beginning with Robert Paddock, b. 1583 in Ireland, Zachariah Paddock b. 1636, Ichabod Paddock, b. 1661 and Ebenezer Paddock b. c. 1740 in Maryland "Our Revolutionary Ancestor" compiled by Audrey Grover, Tuscola IL, 5 pgs.; biography of Samuel Paddock, b. 1806 excerpted from the *Oakey* and *Bradsby* histories, 2 pgs.

10 pgs.

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The Bible folder contains handwritten entries from the old *Harris* Bible, 2 pgs. and a typed copy from a bible owned by Thomas G. Johnston, 2 pgs.

The chart file has charts on Robert Paddock, b. 1583 in Ireland, compiled by Audrey Grover, Tuscola IL 8 pgs.; Ebenezer Paddock, b. 1754, compiled by Audrey Grover, 6 pgs.; William Roberts Paddock, b. England, 6 pgs.; and John Klaus Sr. b. 1895 1 p.

The correspondence file contains letters from other Paddock researchers, and answers, approximately 50 pgs.

The miscellaneous file contains excerpts from a cemetery book, marriage book, and 1850 census of Ogle county IL of Paddocks and related families, 15 pgs.

To summarize the contents, it mainly consists of Ebenezer and Keziah Case Paddock, some of their ancestors, and some of their descendants with related families. It is difficult to say if these files would help you. It depends on what information you have and who in particular you are searching for. Much of this information does not give citations as to where the information came from.

The cost of copies is 15 cents per page, plus the postage to mail them.

Mary-Margaret Iacoli
Special Collections

SASE

Dear Mary-Margaret,

I was in Forte Wayne this last week and found a book that said you had family sheets on the Paddock and Booth family's in a locked stack. Is it possible to get copies of these.

Do you have the marriage licenses at your library. I need a copy of Susan Watts and Andrew Fisk Mar. 17 Feb. 1850 by Jones J. E. J.P. Book C.B. 187 Susan Booth Mar. Lyman Watts 4 July 1847. Lyman died 16 Nov. 1849. He is buried in the Lyken cemetery. In the W.P.A. books she is listed as Susan Walls. But Mose Watts is living with her, in 1860. Then in the 1870 census Virgil Fisk is living with Mose Watts & wf (Rhoda Paddock) This has been a long hunt to find Mose Watts, but I think this is correct. Andrew Fisk died in 1865ca. Susan then Mar. Peter McHugh in 18 Mar 1867. It would help prove I was correct if her name is Watts instead of Walls. This would be any easy mistake to make on old records.

How much would you charge for this. I would appreciate any help you can give me. I sure would be happy to get Moses out of the bull rushes.

Thank you for any help you can give me.

JUNE A. ADE

June A. Ade

5536 Newburg Rd.

Durand, MI. 48429

Andrew Fisk m. Susan Walls Feb 17, 1850 CB-187

Lyman Watts m. Susan Booth July 4, 1847 C-B p 124

Moses Watts / Rhoda Paddock Apr 11, 1869 Bk 5 p 16

Peter Mc Hugh m. Susan Fisk Mar 18, 1867 Bk 4 p 173

Virgil Fisk m. Elizabeth B. Wilson Dec 11, 1871 Bk 5 p 589

Susan Fisk m. William Crum Mar 23, 1880 Bk 8 p 95

Booth & Lyman Genealogy - compiled by Lyman Booth. 15 ppgs.

Booth Family

Julie Scheuermann
1332 Chaffey Ct.
Ontario CA 91762

February 24, 1996

I am enclosing a research report listing the sources I checked for your ancestors. I did find a reference to an 80 year old Jane Booth's burial in Woodlawn Cemetery and am sending a copy. I didn't find any mention of Wade's burial. However, the information for most of our Vigo county cemetery books was copied from the stones. Perhaps Wade was buried here but his stone is no longer readable.

I found Wade and Jane listed twice on the 1850 Vigo county census, once in Honey Creek township and once in Prairie Creek. Apparently they were living with or near some of their children. They had several young Fisher children in their household, most likely grandchildren.

If you would like copies of the other items on the research report, our charge is 15¢ per page, plus postage.

Nancy Sherrill
Genealogy Librarian

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Reference Department
Vigo County Public Library
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Dear Reference Librarian,

I was referred to you by the Vigo County Historical Society. I would like to know if information is available that lists names in old cemeteries in your county from the 1800's. I am trying to find information on Wade and Jane Booth. I think they may have died during the 1850's. They lived in Prairie Creek and/or Honey Creek townships.

Thank you,
Julie Scheuermann

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2. Surname File:
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3. Vigo County, Indiana, Index of Names of Persons and of Firms (in the county histories)
   Did not find _____ Found _____

(4.) Vigo County, Indiana, Marriage Licenses from 1818 to 1850:
   Did not find Wade Found Booth, John W. & Harriet Watts 6 June 1848
   Several Booth girls – Catharine, Elizabeth, Susan, Angeline, Eliza, Emeline, Lucinda

5. W.P.A. Index to Marriage Record, Vigo County, 1840-1920: Maria, Mary Rosetta
   Did not find _____ Found _____

6. W.P.A. Index to Death Record, Vigo County, 1882-1920:
   Did not find _____ Found _____

(7.) Cemetery Records of Vigo County, Including All Born Prior to 1830 That Lived to Maturity:
   Did not find ✓ Found _____

(8.) Cemeteries, Vigo County, Indiana (4 vols.):
   Did not find Wade + Jane Found Other Booths

(9.) Woodlawn Cemetery, Terre Haute, Vigo County IN, Index of Burials Vol. 1 1839-1899 vol. 2 1900-March 1983:
   Did not find _____ Found Booth, Jane – age 80 – buried 4-21-1863

(10.) Census Index for the year 1850 & 1860:
   Did not find _____ Found Booth, Wade – Vigo Co p294
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Other: (also check other side)

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#10 Honey Creek Twp. Vigo Co. Ind. p137
18 Oct 1850

#110/114	Henderson Isbell	35	Farmer	Ky
	Mariah "	25		Ind
	Lucinda "	7		"
	Joseph "	2		"
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	Jane "	68		"
	John Wesley Fischer	5		Indrana
	Elisabeth Kerby	19		"
	Jane Fischer	14		Illinois
	Peter "	11		Indiana
	Margret H. "	8		"
	Ebenezer McGufey	18	Laborer	"

Prairie Creek Twp, Vigo Co. Ind p294
5 Nov 1850

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	Harret Booth	21		Indrana
	John "	26		"
	Lyman "	1		"
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	Jane "	70		"
	Jane Fisher	14		Indrana
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Fisk, Andrew
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Weeks, A.N.
Dean, charles Lewis
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Hampton, Milton S.
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Gaston, Robert James
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Jordan, William Lester
Lee, Edgar A.
Lee, Joe Davis
Lee, James Kirby
Kirby, Samuel
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Kirby, George
Kirby, Louis
Isbell, Joseph
Brill, William
Pritchard, Chauncy R
Pritchard, Joseph Royce
Huffman, ~~Jos~~ Ira
Kirby, Marion
Robbins, Henry
Robbins, Neal
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Akers, Orville
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Johnson, Jens A
Johnson, Donald Booth
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Cross, John
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Carson, Enoch P.
Carson, Maurice Wendle
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Carson, Fred

Spears, Berry
Booth, James
Booth, Wade Hampton
Fisher, Manford
Brooks, Benjamin
Benjamin, Jefferson
Plane, Albert
Wagner, Albert Paul
Booth, James Wade
Booth, Lyman Wade
Stevens, William
Booth, John Wesley
Booth, Lyman
Anderson, William D.
Houghton, Charles H.
Booth, William Wade
Provost, William W.
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Robinson, Alva Jarid
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WALTER BOOTH.

A Noble and Useful Citizen Wrapped in the Drapery of Death.

Paris Gazette.

Died—In this city, Tuesday morning, April 5th, 1881, Walter Booth, Aged 58 years and 10 days.

"Death loves a shining mark."

The people of Paris are called to mourn over the death of one of her noblest, ablest citizens, Walter Booth, who died Tuesday morning, 4th inst. Mr. Booth had not been in firm health for some months, had made complete arrangements for a trip to New Orleans last week, was taken ill with pneumonia and died.

He was born in Salem, Washington county Indiana, March 25th, 1823. He received a thorough business education under the instruction of Prof. J. I. Morrision, a noted teacher in Indiana in those days. In 1850 he went to California, where he lived for two years. On January 14th, 1852, he was married to Miss Caroline Talbott, who, with two sons, three brothers, two sisters, his venerable father, Beebe Booth, now past 88 years, and mother Hannah, survive him, the being the first death that has occurred in the family since their marriage 63 years ago.

Mr. Booth became a citizen of this place, March, 1852, and has been in continued active business ever since, as a merchant, and has taken an active part in all the enterprises pertaining to the improvement of the city or society generally, and for his country. In 1858, he aided in organizing the Edgar Cemetry Association, and held the office of Secretary at the time of his death. In March, 1859, he aided, and indeed was the prime mover in organizing the fire department in this city, and was its leader for many years. He was president of the town council, which was equivalent to Mayor in 1859, '60, '61, and '62.

At the beginning of the war he organized a company of home guards, of which he was captain, in which were drilled and recruited, a large number for the army.

Mr. Booth was elected Mayor of our city under the new organization in 1877, [illegible] office two years.

in organizing the Edgar County Agricultural Society in 1855, and has held the office of secretary or president ever since. He was at the head of the association for relief of the poor in this city for a number of years, and by his energy and untiring interest in the cause carried the enterprise on with great success. He was a charter member of Edgar Lodge No. 91, I. O. O. F. and filled all the chairs in the lodge, and was a trustee of the lodge at the time of his death. He was also a charter member of Paris Encampment No. 21, I. O. O. F. and filled all the chairs in it. He was an active worker in every enterprise that had for its object the improvement of society, the prosperity of our city, the intellectual and moral advancement of his fellow-man.

In his death, Paris has lost a noble Christian worker. No other man in our midst has so constantly and cheerfully devoted his energy and talent to public benefactions and private benevolence. His Christianity shone conspicuous in works, the fruits of which will be manifest in years to come, upon the society of Paris. He was ardently devoted to the school interest of city, and aided in carrying it forward in every manner possible. He regarded all men as brethren—ever had a cheering word and an open hand to the afflicted and needy. He was honored and beloved by the young, to whom he ever gave kind and needed advice, and by the aged whom he cheered and honored by his kind attentions.

The funeral will take place from his late residence, on Thursday morning at 10½ o'clock.

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Judge Fenton W. Booth Will Be Buried Tuesday

Last rites for Fenton W. Booth, 78, retired chief justice of the United States Court of Claims and called "the Mayor of 49th Street" the last eight years, will be held at 3 p. m. Tuesday in the Congregational Church at Marshall, Ill. Burial will follow there.

Judge Booth's death, which came as a shock to relatives and friends, occurred Saturday. He was taken to Methodist Hospital when a brief illness developed into pneumonia.

A resident here since his retirement from the federal bench in 1939, Judge Booth was a familiar figure in the vicinity of his home at 4810 Wash. Blvd. Forced to use a cane following a hip injury received in a fall last year, he was confined in his walks to an area near his home. It was during these walks that his charm and gentle humor drew to him a host of friends, young and old, and won for him the title, "Mayor of 49th Street."

In World War II he served as a member of the 10th District Ratining Board and was placed in charge of the board before the end of the war.

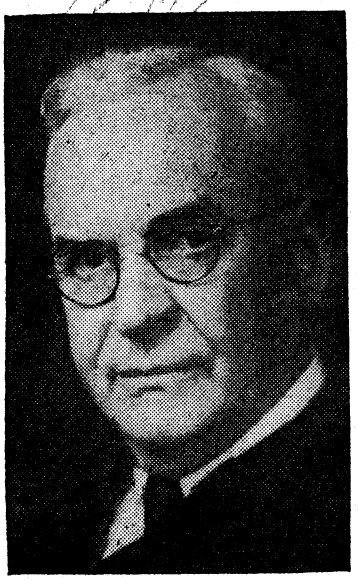
Although Judge Booth was born in Marshall, Ill., and was active in Illinois political circles before going to Washington, the roots of his family were in Indiana.

His grandfather, Beebe Booth, settled in Salem in 1820 and is credited with publishing the first book printed in Indiana, a "Life of Napoleon.' His father Lyman, was born in Salem, moving later to Marshall.

A first cousin of Booth Tarkington, famed Hoosier author, Judge Booth spent many of his childhood days visiting the Tarkington family here. In later years he was to entertain his friends with stories he learned when, as a small boy with Mr. Tarkington, he sat at the knee of James Whitcomb Riley in his home on Lockerbie Street.

The appointment of Judge Booth as Chief Justice of the Court of Claims in 1928 climaxed a career that carried him from the small Illinois town of 2,000 persons to one of the highest judicial positions in the country.

He received his education at DePauw University and was graduated with an LL. B. in 1892 from the University of Michigan which 48 years later conferred upon him an honorary doctor of laws degree.



The year after graduation he married Anna Harlan, of Marshall. Two years later she died and he afterward married Mabel Dana, of Lincoln, Ill. She died last year.

As a young attorney he followed the family bent for politics. Mr. Tarkington was to serve as a member of the Indiana Legislature and Judge Booth's uncle, Newton Booth, was Governor of California and United States Senator from that state.

Following a term in the Illinois Legislature, Judge Booth ran for Circuit Court judge in a race that found him defeated by only 10 votes. In the Republican national convention which nominated Theodore Roosevelt for the Presidency, Judge Booth was a delegate from the 17th Congressional District.

He was appointed to the Court of Claims by President Roosevelt in 1905 serving with associates named to the bench by Abraham Lincoln.

While he was heard to joke about a remark of a political opponent that he was a "toy pistol orator" Judge Booth's qualities as a speaker were considerable. In World War I he was in charge of a Liberty Bond selling drive which sent him stumping small Midwest towns on a special train.

After the war he became a teacher at Howard University in Washington, and was dean of the university when he retired in 1936.

His coterie of friends numbered many prominent politicians, including Joseph (Uncle Joe) Cannon, famed speaker of the House of Representatives, former Senator James B. Watson and seven Presidents of the United States.

Immediately prior to his retirement under the Judicial Retirement Act, Judge Booth visited England where, as a visiting judge, he presided on the bench at "Old Bailey" in London.

Nor did his retirement relieve him of his duties. As recently as June of this year he was recalled to Washington to preside at a Court of Claims suit as the only surviving inactive member having jurisdiction in the case.

He was a member of Phi Delta Phi, national legal fraternity, and the District of Columbia Branch of the American Bar Association which refused his resignation when he left Washington.

Survivors are three daughters, Mrs. Donald Jameson, Mrs. L. B. Miller and Mrs. Harry Kylie; five grandchildren, Fenton Jameson, Truman Moyer, Mrs. Cornell Acheson, Mrs. William A. Wildhack, all of Indianapolis, and Mrs. Nathaniel Hamilton, Chicago, and five great-grandchildren.

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+ 1607 d 1687

1 RICHARD BOOTH = ELIZABETH HAWLEY at Stratford Conn.
Dorothy Hawley

2 JOHN " + 1653 = 2 Hannah Blanks

3 Thomas " + 1679 = Elizabeth Judson Had

EDMOND 1695

JOSEPH 1712

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1 Richard 1607 Booth = Elizabeth Hawley

2 Joseph " + 1656 = —

3 James " + 1688 = Martha Booth

4 John " + 1736 = Lucy Curtis

5 Josiah " + 1773 = Polly Curtis

6 Hezekiah " + 1813 = Sally Curtis

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1 Richard Booth 1607-1687 = Elizabeth Hawley

2 Joseph " + 1656 = HANNAH —

3 James " + 1686

4 Silas " + 1763 = Ruth Curtis.

5 Silas " + 1809 = Frances Wheeler. Had

Frederick A Booth

Francis Henry Booth

Emma.

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1 Richard } same as above

2 Joseph }

3 ZACHARIAH Booth = Anna Curtis, had

Zachariah + 1721

Daniel + 1723

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#1 b. 1607 d. 1687
Richard Booth
Elizabeth Newby

Elizabeth 1641
Capt John Alcock

Anna Booth 1643
unmd.

Ephraim Booth 1648
Mary Clark

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John 1653
1 Dorothy Newby
2 Hannah Clark

Joseph 1656
James 1716

Bethia 1658
Joseph Curtis

Johanna 1661

Bethia
Ephraim 1711
Andrew 1712
Joanna

Richard 1679
Alice
Thomas 1679
Elizabeth Judson
Jonathan 1681
Hulda Gaylord
Ephraim 1689
Rachel Nichols
John
Mary Mallory
Gideon 1721

Edmund 1693
Joseph 1712

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Wayfield
Gilbert's farm

John Reed
Democrat

Ohio St

alley

Judge Hunting has 4 children
2 boys + 2 girls

☐ James Turner married the
3 girls + boys
after the Judge's death

☐ Gaff 4 children Geo
3 boys + 1 girl (14 and Methf

James Turner re married
☐ Sam Easley house 2
no children

Vacant

4 children

D2 Reed

Wm Thompson 2 girls
Hood Town Theatre
Sam Easley's house
Sam Easley
Jacob Easley
☐ 2 children
boy + girl

Wallace Barnett

☐ Phillips
4 boys

☐ 9 boys wife + Henry
Poor

Poor
☐ Had whole co of Dry goods
Office
☐ Henry Cole Circuit Court Clerk
The man / Mike Long Penna
Lost Coletin Ammo shot in
Lane at 7th Main Terre

Criminal Court

Vacant

We Hicks Store + Postoffice in upstairs Room was removed as Court House Secretary Death of Father Mar 19, 1857 - Assuming to Mom Reside (Dad)

Donated by B. Clark 1647 Eighth Ave. Booth family

Dr Lyman Booth

Elizabeth Ann Booth (data + children)

John Wesley (R.) m. 1848 (1) Harriet Watts dau of Moses
1825-1906 1828-1860
m. (2) 1881 Fanny Collins 1841-

Their son (1) Lyman Booth 1899-

(1) Joseph 1851-1854
(1) Mary Jane 1853
(1) William Wade 1855-m 1877
(1) Twin Sister d at birth
(1) Olive
(1) Manford
(1) Harriet Altice
2 Geo Monger
Ida Mary
Arthur James
Nellie Adell
Maggie May
Lena Maud
Glenn Russell

Lucinda Isbell b. Mar 14, 1843 m James M. Kirby 1865 + died Nov 13, 1900
dau of Henderson Isbell + Jane Edney
-1847 1822-

Hendersons 1st wife Maria Lillison Booth m (1) Willard Watts

GEN.

March 22, 1933.

Mr. Arthur S. Meloy,
2865 Main Street,
Stratford, Conn.

Dear Mr. Meloy:

Can you identify Curtis Judson Booth who was born, possibly in Ohio and died in the Civil War, leaving a daughter Lucy and son Cassius M'Clay, later known as Cassius Judson.

His widow, born Margaret Taylor, daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth (Baker), married second, David Burget and died at Hersey, Wisconsin.

The children were born at or near Etna Green, Indiana, Cassius on October 18, 1860 and Lucy a few years earlier.

The tradition is that Curtis Judson Booth was from Ohio, which would point to the Connecticut line, but I have no further data.

I will appreciate anything pointing to the ancestry.

Yours truly,

GEN.

March 16, 1933.

Mrs. Silas H. Allen,
73 Fulton St. Oshkosh, Wis.

Dear Madam:

I am in search of the ancestry of Curtis Judson Booth who married Margaret Taylor the daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth (Baker) Taylor of whom I have nothing more than that he was killed during the Civil War and his widow married David Burget.

Curtis Judson Booth was born somewhere in Ohio according to a family tradition but there is nothing certain known as his children were very young at the time of his death and his widow died soon after her second marriage.

The children were born at or near the town of Etna Green in Kosciusko County, Indiana.

It seems too odd to be a coincidence that your lines should contain thethree names of Curtis, Judson and Booth and I hope you will be able to help out in the search.

My own line contains the Harris of Harrisburg, Pa. and if this is the line in which you are interested, I will be glad to give you data on the later branches.

Yours truly,

GEN.

March 18, 1933.

Mrs. H. E. Booth,
Fairchild, Wisconsin.

My Dear Mrs. Booth:

Ypur card reached me on my return home yesterday and I am sorry that the records of the Booth family that I write you about are in error as to the marriage of Hannah Judson as she married in 1831 Cyrus Booth and died childless in 1835.

Her sisters Polly, Sarah and Lucetta and her brother Frederick seem also to have left no issue though nothing is known of Lucetta after her marriage and removal to Iowa before the Civil War.

I am trying to get Dr. E. R. Booth of 6463 Grandvista Ave., Pleasant Ridge, Cincinnati, Ohio, to give me some information on the Booth line but while he is a charming conversationist, talking by the hour in response to proper questioning, he is a poor correspondent and as he is now 82 years old, it is a task to get him to reply to letters.

It may be your good luck to get him interested and to have a reply from him if you will try him.

His father, the late Dr. John T. Booth was an authority on the family of John Booth and I have touched common interests with him several times as he and my mother were born in the same part of southeastern Indiana and she once had him for a brief period as a scholar.

If you are able to do some work for me, I will be glad to exchange service in research in your line as you are no exception to those who are hard hit in the present upside down and wrong side out condition in which the world finds itself.

If you will let me know what your local library has in the way of genealogy, DAR Lineage Books, SAR Official Bulletins or local histories or whether you can undertake work at a nearby county seat, I can make use of you in exchange.

"All is grist that comes to the mill" and a genealogist never throws away anything that can be had though it may be years if ever before it comes in need.

Yours truly,

GEN.

Fairchild, Wis.,
Dec. 6, 1932.

Mr. A. R. Markley,
Box 506, Terre Haute, Ind.

Dear Sir:— Have you any information relative to the Booth genealogy, and if so, under what terms may I receive the same? We can trace the family no further back than to Curtis Judson Booth of Etna Green, Indiana, who was killed in the Civil War. His wife was Margaret (Baker) Taylor Booth, and I believe the Bakers, her mother's family, came from Pennsylvania. We think that there is a branch of this Booth family somewhere in Ohio.

Miss Esther A. McNitt of the State Library referred me to you.

Yours very truly,
Mrs. Harold E. Booth.

GEN.

2965 Main St
Stratford. Conn.
Apr. 4-23.

Mr A. R. Markle
Dear Sir.

Please pardon my long delayed reply to yours of Mar 22
I do not seem to find any record of the Ohio Booths
There were some Booths from Conn who went West but
I have no definate record of them.
There were several intermarriage between the Booths,
Curtiss and Judsons in past generations
There were several Judson Booths, several Judson Curtiss
and several Curtis Booths
I will give you a diagram of a few Booths that might
help you to trace a connection and if any of these fit
your case I can give you more information of their
ancestors as far back as you wish to go. (See inclosed diagram)
I have a fairly good record of the Booth family except the
last generations also of the Judson & Curtis families.
I also have about 12,000 Surnames listed and about
8,000 Minors
The Booths are of English Royal descent.
From the combination of names in your letter it would
seem that one of these diagrams would be useful to
you. There were many Curtiss and Judsons who went to
Ohio after the Revolutionary War and after the year of 1812 because
the State of Conn gave them grants of land there.
Hoping I have been of some service to you I am
Very truly yours
Arthur S. Meloy.

Fairchild, Wisconsin,
January 9, 1932.

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Mr. A. R. Markle,
Terre Haute, Indiana.

Dear Sir:- I wish to thank you for your interest and offer of cooperation. There is a possibility that you are on the right track in the information you sent me concerning a certain Curtis Booth. I should be pleased to find it so. I shall enclose a record of the Booth family as I have it, and though it is little to work with it may be enough. I wish to say that I cannot afford to pay much for assistance, but am very willing to work it out slowly, and by doing as much as I can myself by correspondence, if possible. I am only an amateur and should need advice, and if serving in that capacity for me what sum would be the least you could accept?

My purpose in seeking this information is two-fold:- I have wondered at times

if we might find that we were eligible to membership in the D.A.R.— mainly for the sake of my little daughter, the other is simply that research work of this kind is a sort of hobby with me, and I want very much to add to the family tree records I am keeping for my daughter and son. If I can do so without much expense I shall be happy; if not, I shall have to wait until the outlook for continued employment is better. My husband is at present serving as clerk to the receiver of the closed bank of this village, and he may not be needed for more than a few months hence. However I do not wish you to think I am seeking help gratis. I want to be fair or else wait for a better opportunity and time.

As you say, the name Curtis Judson is "too odd to be a coincidence" and both my husband and I feel that it may be the same family.

Yours very truly, Mrs. H. E. Booth.

The following is all I have:

My husband's father is Cassius Judson Booth, and he was born in or near Elm Green, Indiana, October 18, 1860. He had no brothers and only one sister — Lucy, who is a couple 7 years older. Their father was Curtis Judson Booth, and he was killed during the Civil War just after being home on a furlough. I have no record of his birth, nor of his wife's birth. Her name was Margaret Taylor, and her parents were Joseph Taylor and Elizabeth Baker Taylor. It is believed that the Taylors came to Indiana from Michigan — (or went to Michigan), and that the Bakers came from Pennsylvania. The Booths came from Ohio they think, and — am wondering if the Curtis Booth you mention is not the father of the Curtis Judson Booth who was killed in the war. We do not know the names of said Curtis Judson's brothers or sisters or if he had any.

However, I shall write to his daughter Lucy and ask if she remembers any aunts or uncles on the Booth side.

When Cassius Judson and his sister Lucy were still children their mother moved to Hersey, Wisconsin, and was again married either before or after moving (before, I think) to a Dave Burgett, I believe. She died when the children were still only children, and that is why we know so little about the family ~~back~~ any further back.

Cassius Booth was named Cassius M Clay and his birth may be recorded so; when his father was killed in service the M Clay was dropped for Judson.

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December 27, 1932.

Mrs. Herold E. Booth,
Fairchild, Wisconsin.

Dear Mrs. Booth:

I have been delayed in answering your favor of the 6th instant through the unusual activities of the holiday season and the trouble I am having to avoid an apparent attack of the flu which has almost got me whipped.

I have a small manuscript geneology of the Booth Family that wasprepared several years ago by a descendant of Wade Hampton Booth but I do not find the name of Curtis Judson among the Booths there given and I do not think that he was of that family.

With so little to go on, it is likely to be a long and costly search to get his antecedents but on the other hand, there should be some record of his birth or age at death that would lead to a definite starting point from which the rest may be had.

If you have the date of his birth and the names of any brothers or sisters, he can be identified in the census reports with the name of the head of the family, his father if then living, his mother if she was the head of the family at the time the census was taken.

If any of the brothers or sisters was living in 1880, more information can be had as to the place of birth of his parents but the search of a county census report in 1880 is a tedious job for the names are not in alphabetical order, there is no system of indexing.

In many instances information can be had by correspondence but the large number of failures to reply to queries, the actual dishonesty of some county officials who cheerfully pocket your money and give you no service, in many cases no reply, make it a tedious and exasperating job.

Much of my success in such investigations is through the service of a school teacher who may be satisfied to use her Saturday holiday to earn a small fee for looking over records at the Court house, but she must know what to look for and put up with considerable discourtesy and lack of co-operation to get anywhere.

The later census reports are only accessible at Washington and the work of searching them is a matter for one who has had considerable training and costs moneyfor that reason but if

you are able to go there and spend the time, I can easily give you the necessary information that will enable you to get much that you want. If you have to depend on others to get it for you it will cost more for ones time but lessthan the expense would be for you to make the trip.

It depends largely on your ability to get results from correspondence as to how much work you will have to pay others to do for you and in a way the results of your search will depend on how expert you become after you start.

If you have the means and want quick results you can pay out somewhere about Fifty Dollars to get your line back to the Revolution and as much or more for Colonial data, but if you do not wish to spend so much, can keep everlastingly at it and have something more than the name to start from, you can get the former for less than half of the amount and if you have the dates of his birth, the place of it, the names of other members of the family and their location in 1850, I would suggest a search for him in the census of 1850, when he must have been living and probably with his parents.

The records of his marriage or of the marriage of his parents if in Kosciusko County should be had, the disposition of his fathers property, if any, in the Probate Court, will give the names of other heirs if he died before his son, or it may be that you have already much that is needed.

If you will let me know all that you have of him and his family, dates, names and places and will indicate about the limit of expense that you would want to go, I will lay out a plan to get results within that limit.

If you are an amateur and enjoy the work as many do, to the extent that you would rather do it at twice the cost than to have it done for you, I can serve in an advisory capacity for a small fee, or if you would rather avoid the work and are willing to pay another to do it, I can also serve you.

Nothing is impossible it seems, it is merely a question of the cost. In many cases the results are not worth the cost.

Much on the Booth families has already been collected and I may be able to get something from some other genealogist who has already run your line and avoid almost all expense.

Yours truly,

GEN.

April 6, 1933.

Mrs. Harold E. Booth,

Fairchild, Wisconsin.

Dear Mrs. Booth:

I have the following marriages among the Booths of Connecticut and because of the names, I am sure that your Curtis Judson Booth is of this stock.

3	Thomas Booth	m 1679		Elizabeth Judson
4	John "	m 1736		Lucy Curtis
5	Josiah "	m 1773		Polly Curtis
6	Wyllis "	m 1813		Sally Curtis
4	Silas "	m 1763		Ruth Curtis
3	Zachariah "	m		Anna Curtis and had:
4	Zachariah	b 1721		
4	Daniel	b 1723		
2	John Booth b 1653	m	(1)	Dorothy Hawley
			(2)	Hannah Clark

By one of these he had:

3	Thomas b 1679	m		Elizabeth Judson

Richard the immigrant (1607-1687) m Elizabeth Hawley and the names given above are in the generations following them as numbered.

There was also a daughter of Richard and Elizabeth:

2 Bethia b 1658 who m Joseph Curtis.

All of the above are fair promises, working as we are in reverse of the usual order of going back from an Individual to his ancestors because of the absence of information as the the father of Curtis Judson Booth.

The census report of 1850 will no doubt show the parents of Curtis Judson Booth but we should know where he was in that year in order not to have to search too much territory.

I will try the county records for a marriage or probate record of any Booth around the period that they should have been at or near Etna Green.

If you are inclined to accept my offer of March 12, let me know if you can get to the following DAR Lineage Books.

Volumes 6-9-10-38-58-78. I need some information from these numbers and will be glad to exchange work with you.

Yours truly,

GEN.

THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Mr. A. R. Markle
Fire Haute, Indiana.

Bx 506.

Fairchild, Wis.
March 9, 1933.

Dear Mr. Markle:- I have almost given up hearing from you, however, I am going to try again. I am wondering if you will be willing to give or sell me the information you had about a Hannah Judson m. Curtis Booth in Ohio in 1831. Will you tell me where in Ohio? In that way I may be able to continue this research work myself. May I hear from you soon? I should appreciate it very much.

Sincerely Mrs. L. E. Booth.

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BOOTH ANDHUFFMAN GENEALOGY,
COMPILED BY
LYMAN BOOTH.

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Thomas Tongat, (or Tongate as it is sometimes spelled) served in the War of the Revolution. I have been unable to learn hiswife's name nor the dates of their births and deaths. He had one son who also served in the same war.

1 Tillis Tongat, little of his record can be found, other than hemarried Betsy Martin. They had two children. Tillis Jr. andJane. Betsy died at the age of 98, She was my father's grandmother. Tillis Sr. died and she married Thomas Maxwell, who lived to be 99. He was never sick untill about a week before his death.

1 Tillis Tongat Jr. I have no record of him after he went to Texas about 1839 as he was never heard from afterward(See note on last page.).

2 Jane Tongat, Married William Huffman at the age of 14. I have no exact dates of her birth nor death, but by comparing leter dates I assume that she was born about theyear 1794 Or 5. They had two children William Jr. and Margaret.William Sr. died and she married Wade Hampton Booth.

1 William Huffman, no dates found for him.

1 William Huffman, Jr. was born in the year of 1789 and died Dec.28th. 1880 at the advanced age of 91. He married Lavica Davis, whose birth was in 1807 and died in Oct. 3rd.1883 at the age of 76. They resided their entire lifetime in Terre Haute,Ind., and are burried in Woodlawn Cemetery They had 8 children as follows. Lavica, John, Margaret, William, James Polk, Nancy, Edward and Francis Blake

BURIED DEC 28, 1891
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1 Lavica Huffman, born in 1832 and died June 2nd. 1916. She married James Robert Gaston who was born in 1812 and died in 1883 being 71 years old. They had three children.

1 Anna Gaston, born in 1863 and died March 6th.1913. Was married to Scott Bell, and resided in Terre Haute. They had no children.

2 Emma Gaston, no date given of her birth. She married Paul Kuhn. They reside in Terre Haute, Ind. at 655 Cherry Street. Had no children. He was engaged in t the grain business and other enterprises. Was an active and energetic man.He died in 1928, May 2nd. at the ageof 63 years.

3 Robert James Gaston, born in 1869. Wife's name not given. They had two children.

1 Mary Louise Gaston, No dates.

2 Robert Gaston, born in 1869. This family are all dead and are burried in Woodlawn Cemetery, near Terre Haute.

2 John Huffman , born in 1834 and died May 4th.1891. Was married to Harriett Shepherd. They had no children. No date of birth or death. Both are burried in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, near Riley, Ind.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
				3				Margaret Huffman, born in 1836 and died in her youth.
				4				William Huffman, born in 1839. Aug 22nd. and died Dec. 8th. 1926, aged 87 years. He served three years in the Civil War, enlisting in his country's service on the 23rd. anniversary of his birth, in Co. G. 85th., Ind. Vol. After the war he followed surveying and Railroad Construction as his employment. He was first married to Mary Louise Newlin, March 1st. 1864. They had 5 children. No date of her birth. She died Oct. 20th. 1872.
					1			Mary Louise Huffman, no date of birth, Married Allen Spidell, and lived at Mattoon, Ill. They had four children, No date of death.
						1		George Spidell No date ofbirth or death given.
						2		Marie " " " " " " " "
						3		Paul " " " " " " " "
						4		Fitz Hugh" " " " " " " "
					2			George Huffman no date of birth or death.
					3			Belle Huffman, no date of birth, was married to August Fraza, he died, No children. The widow lives at 2207 Poplar St Terre Haute.
					4			Francis Huffman was stolen when about two years old.
					5			Cecelia Huffman, born in 1872 and died in 1873.
				4				William Huffman's second marriage was on Dec. 28th. 1873. to Victory Briar of Scotch Descent, who was born Sept. 17th. 1853. She is living with her son Carl. J. Huffman at 2336 Liberty Ave. Terre Haute, Ind. They had 8 children.
					6			Charles Huffman, born in 1875. No date of his birth.
					7			Nellie B. Huffman, born in 1879, married John Smith and reside in Los Angeles, Calif. Have not been able to get in communication with him. They have four children and reside at 352 Hope St, Walnut Park.
						1		Virgil Smith, no dates, resides in Indianapolis, Ind.
						2		Mary Smith, " " " " Cincinnati, Ohio.
						3		Dale Smith " " " " Indianapolis, Ind.
						4		Grace Smith, " " " " Los Angeles, Calif. Have been unable to learn her husband's name. Believe it is Wysong.
					8			William E. Huffman, born Feb 14th. 1881. Was married to Leona Montrose Aug 12th. 1901. They reside at 1624 No. 3rd. St. Terre Haute, Ind. Have three children.
						1		Marie Huffman, born Jan 9th. 1903.
						2		William Huffman, born Nov. 1st. 1904.
						3		Vigo Huffman, born Aug. 22nd. 1913.
					9			McBride Huffman, born Nov. 11th. 1883. Was married to Maude Hoopstop, They residein Indianapolis, Ind. They No children.
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					10			James Huffman, born [illegible] 1886. No date of his death.
					11			Frank Huffman, born in 1868 anddied in 1914.
					12			Eugene Huffman, born in 1890 and died in 1892.
					13			Carl Jacques Huffman, born April 18th. 1893. Was married to Donna Oxendine Aug. 10th. 1918. Have no children.

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Grl J. Huffman is a passenger conductor on the C.&.E.I. R.R.

5 James Polk Huffman, born Oct. 14th.1842, and died Nov. 17th.1915. He married Mary Eugenie Styker, of French descent. She was born Aug.15th.1860. Married Nov. 23rd.1882. They had two children. James is dead and buried in Evansville, Ind.

1 Adelia Theresa Huffman born Oct. 9th.1884, and died Dec. 20th.1908.

2 Ferdinand Joseph Huffman, born June 28th 1886. Married Marinna Williams, Dec.1911. They reside at 3017 Bellefountaine St, Indianapolis, Ind. They have three children.

1 James William Huffman, born Aug.7th.1912.

2 Albert Edwin Huffmn, born Aug.10th..1915.

3 Ruth Leone Huffman, born July 20th.1918.

Nov.25, 1849 Oct 15, 1908.

6 Nancy Huffman, born in 1884 and died in Oct.1906. at the age of 62 years. She married Megginson all of English descent, who was born in 1843 and died in 1907. Their deaths were caused by Typhoid Fever. Both are buried in Woodlawn Cemetery. Had One Child.

Dec. 19, 1842 Sept. 3, 1907

1 Myrtle Hall, no date of birth. Married Martin McCosky, and reside somewhere in Calif. Have children but I have been unable to learn how many or any of their names.

7 Edward Huffman, no date of birth, Married Lillian Howell She is dead. He was an engineer and was killed in a collision between St Louis and Mattoon. His death occured Aug. 1st.1892. Had three children.

1. Fred Huffman, No dates.

2 Ed Huffman, " "

3 Mable Huffman " ", all are married but no one seems to know where they are.

8 Francis Blake Huffman, Born June 4th.1857. and died Aug. 2nd .1912. She was married to Henry Carr who is also dead. Theyhad 4 children.

1 Ben S. Carr, born in 1882, and married Myrtle Born in 1907. Had two children, Reside at 1421 So. 11th St. Terre Haute. Ind.

1 Evelyn Carr, born in 1910.

2 James Carr born in 1913.

2 George Carr, born in 1884 and married Myrtle Laney. Had no children. Live at Riley Ind. R.R. #1.

3 Emma Carr, born in 1878 and died in 1902.

4 Ed Carr, no date of birth, is married and lives ## in Seattle. Wash.

2 Margaret Huffman , I have no date of her birth. I have no more reliable information than that she married Berry Spears and that he enlisted in the servicein theCivil War, and was killed. They had two children Malinda and Washington. She remained in Orange Co. Ind. while the rest of the family moved to Vigo Co

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								near Terre Haute. For about 30 years my father supposed she was dead, but a few years before his death he received a letter from her, she having learned his address from some of the relatives in Terre Haute.
				1				Malinda Spears, No dates.
				2				Washington Spears. " "
1								Eliza Lee, a member of the Lee family of which the noted Robert E.Lee was a descendant married A Booth. Of their family I know but little but it is known that
	1							they had one son by the name of James Booth, who married Miss Hampton, a sister of of the famous Wade Hampton, who was born in South Carolina in 1754. He was my father's uncle. He served under Sumter and Marion, He was a member of Congress 1795 to 1797, and 1803 to 1805. He becameColonel in the U.S. army in 1808, and a brigadeer General in 1809. Was a Major General 1813 to 1814. He was in command in New Orleans,La. in 1809 to 1812. and on theCanadian Frontier 1813 to 1814 He resigned in 1814 and afterwards acquired great wealth. At one time owning 3 000 slaves. He died at Columbus So.Carolina, in 1835.
		1						Wade Hampton Booth, and
		2						Benjamin Booth are theonly children of James Booth of whom I have any record. All I know of Benjamin is that he resided in Virginia, near Richmond. When General Lee surrendered to General Grant, he owned a large estate near Richmond, and at one time owned nearly 1 000 slaves. His worldly ambition was to haw it said of him that he owned 1 000 slaves,but he never did, and the Civil conflict relieved him of those he did own.
		1						Wade Hampton Booth and
								JaneTongat Huffman were married and had 13 children
			3					Samuel Booth, died at the age of 13. Can't give any dates as I presume none were kept.
			4					Lavica Booth, Married Manford Fisher, and they had 9 children.
				1				Elizabeth Fisher, I have no record of her except that she went west andwe never heard from her. Thiswas about the year 1850.
				2				George Fisher, married Mary Billmire of Lafayette Twp O Ogle Co.Ill. They had 6 children but I can give the name of only one, Henrietta, the oldest. No dates.
				3				Peter Fisher, I have not seen nor heard from him since about 1856.
				4				Jane Fisher, havn't seen orheard from her since I was very young.
				5				Margaret Ann Fisher Married Benjamin Brooks . They lived in Ogle Co Ill. a short time after their marriage and then moved to Missouri after which I heard no morefrom her.
				6				Lavina Fisher, I do not remember of ever seeing her

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				7				Ellen Fisher, went west about thetime that Margaret did and we never heard from her
				8				John Fisher, I have not seen him since bout the year 1860. He went west also and never correspnded with any one in our part of the country.
				9				Manford Fisher, Jr. lived at Warren Ill. with his uncle Washington Spears who raised him from a small child his mother having died when he was a babe.
			5					Louinda Booth, married a scotchman by the name of Jefferson Benjamin. They had 8 children. She died at Lafayette Grove. gle Co.Ill. and is buried in Chapel Cemetery.
				1				James Benjamin, No date of his birth. He died when a young man and is buried beside his mother.
				2				William Benjamin, was killed in the Civil War and is buried in the south.
				3				Nancy Benjamin and
				4				ann Benjamin I never saw as they died in Indiana near Terre Haute.
				5				Candacy Benjamin, married a man by the name of Albert Plane, They had a nice home in Elgin Ill. and a farm near town. They had several children but only one grew up. Candacy was unfortunate in that she became almost a raving maniac the day following her wedding. She was taken to the Elgin Asylum for the insane but soon recovered. She has been an inmate in the same institution several times since. She was there when I visited them about 1905, the only time I ever saw her after she went to West Chicago, to live with an uncle. She was very glad to see me and related several things which I had forgotten, and she asked about some of the people she had known when a small girl.
					1			Goldie Irene Plane, married Albert Paul Wagner of Elgin Ill. and they had three children.
						1		Albert Paul Wagner Jr. born May 1st 1903
						2		Elton Wagner, born in March 19th.1905.
						3		Lewis Wagner, born in April 1907.
				6				Richard Benjamin, No dates. thelast word I had from him or his people was that he was killed while walking on theRailroad. He was very hard of hearing
				7				John Benjamin, Thelast I heard from him was that he was living in the southern part of Ill. but he dropped out of sight and hearing andthe same may be said of
				8				Emma Benjamin
			6					James Wade Booth, Can give no dates for him, He married Emma Henbess and they had six children.
				1				Lemusel Booth, died in Marshall Co. Ill. in infancy.
				2				Lyman Wade Booth, was born in 1848, in Vigo Co. Ind. He married but I know nothing of his family except that they lived at Marshall Ill.. A letter ofinquiry brought no information from them.

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				3				Lavina Booth, no dates, she married and left three small children, Do not knowtheir names.
				4				Emma Booth, No dates. She died at about the age of 15.
				5				Finlin Booth, died in infancy in Ogle Co. Ill.
				6				Frances Booth died young at Jewett I believe it was.
			7					Elizabeth Booth married William Stevens July 7th, 1833. She was born Dec.7th, 1816 and died Oct. 24th.1848. She was his second wife and they had 5 children.
				1				Amelia Stevens, no dates.
				2				Isaac Stevens " "
				3				Phylinda Stevens, was born in 1836 and died in 1905. She was married to George Jameson Aug. 22nd. 1855 and left issue Jameson was born in 1829 and died in 1907. Phylinda died in 1905.
				4				Julia Emerine Stevens , no dates.
				5				John Wesley Stevens. no dates. He was named formy father.
			8					John Wesley Booth, born April 8th.1825, and died Feb.5th. 1906 at Chana Ill. being 80 years, 9 months and 27 days old. Born in Orange Co.Ind. and with his parents moved tom Vigo Co. near Terre Haute. He married Harriett Watts June 6th.1848. She was the daughter of Moses and Mary Watts. She was born Sept. 29th.1828. They had 7 children. She died July 7th.1860 and is buried in Chapel Hill Cemetery Nov.6th.1861 hemarried Miss Fanny Collins of Carroll Co. Ill. who was born in England April 23rd.1841.There were 7 children by thefirst marriage and 8 by the 2nd.
				1				Lyman Booth, born april 22nd 1849 near Honey Creek, Vigo Co Ind. about 14 miles south of Terre Haute. With his parents he came to Ill. in the year of 1853. Dec. 22nd. 1881 he married Miss Allie Sweet of Thomson, Carroll Co.Ill. She was born May 20th.1863. They had two children.
					1			Floy May Booth, born Dec. 24th. 1882. Married July 19th. 1905, to William D.Anderson, of Dixon Ill. They had three children.
						1		Harriett Anderson, died in infancy.
						2		Aleta Anderson, born May 8th. 1908, in Dixon, Ill.
						3		Janet Anderson, born Sept 1st.1909 in Sterling, Ill.
					2			Aleta Juanita Booth, born May 19th.1892, three miles South of Chana.Ogle Co Ill. Married Charles G.Houghton who was born in Racine Wis. Dec.22nd 1895. His father's name was Fred P.Houghton. His mother's name was Anna M. They now reside in Newton Center, Mass. a suburb of Boston. They have two children.
						1		Charles G.Houghton Jr.Born Dec.7th.1915, in Dixon, Ill.
						2		Barbara Jane Houghton, born March 12th.1923, in Newton Center Mass.
				2				Joseph Booth, born Feb 25th.1851 in Vigo Co.Ind. Died in 1854 in Ogle Co.Ill.
				3				Mary Jane Booth, born March 2nd. 1853 in Lafayette Twp. Ogle Co.Ill. Died Nov 30th.1900 and is buried in Chapel Hill Cemetery.

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				4				William Wade Booth, and)
				5				Twin Cister) were born June19th.1855 in Pine Rock Twp. Ogle Co. Ill. She died at birth. William married Sarah Allen Robinson of Pine Rock Twp. Jan. 29th.1877. They had 7 children.
					1			Robinson Orr Booth, born Jan.24th.1878, who in 1909 married Emma Louise Menton. They had one child.
						1		Rose Orr Booth, born July 7th.1911. Robinson and Emma were divorced in 1917. On Jan. 25th.1921 he married Alice Patria Campion. She was born Aug.30th.1890. They have three children.
						2		June Marie Booth, born June10th.1922.
						3		LeVerne Margaret Booth, born Nov.8th 1923.
						4		Robert Campion Booth, born born Nov. 25th.1925.
					2			Harriett Ada Booth, born Dec.28th.1879. Married William W.Provost Aug 23rd.1899. He was born Sept.7th.1864 They have 5 children.
						1		Wilbert Pray Provost, born Sept.24th.1900. Died Oct 6th.1902.
						2		Fay Ellen Provost, born Aug.31st.1902. Married Aug 31st 1920 to Albert Raymond Welch who was born May 1st. 1900. They havetwo children.
							1	Vera Irene Welch, born born July 13th.1921.
							2	George Edward Welch, born May 1st.1923.
						3		Nellie Estella Provost, born Dec.18th. 1904. Married William McKinley Satterlee, who was born Dec. 22nd. 1896 and married Jan.8th.1926.
						4		Katherine Eutoka Provost, born Dec.28th. 1910.
						5		Jean Tirner Provost, born Aug.28th.1922.
					3			Mary Elizabeth Booth, born July 13th.1882. Died Aug.22 1906.
					4			Maggie Ellen Booth, born Aug.21st.1888. Married Alva Jariel Robinson who was born Sept.19th.1882. and married Dec.24th.1913.They have 6 children.
						1		Jariel Jean Robinson, born Dec.11th.1914.
						2		William Franklin Robinson, born Aug.8th.1916.
						3		Carl Booth Robinson, born feb. 6th.1918.
						4		Glen Alva Robinson born Oct.19th.1919.
						5		Pauline Ellen Robinson ##### and twin brother
						6		John Paul Robinson were born July 1st 1921.
					5			William Wesley Booth, March 17th.1891. Married in May 1923, to Mrs. Edith Melvie, who was born Feb. 25th. 1891.
					6			Arminta Adalade Booth, born March 24th.1893 and married to Wayde Hutchinson Oxenford, Nov.12th.1913. He was born Jan 8th.1894. They have 4 children.
						1		Ellen Blanchb Oxenford, born March 27th. 1916.
						2		Jean Elizabeth Oxenford, born March 18th 1918.
						3		Kenneth Wayde Oxenford, born July 31st.1920.
						4		John Booth Oxenford, born Sept 8th.1924.

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						7		Ezra Mark Booth, born April 7th 1896. Married Dec 3rd. 1919 to Elsie Perar Ross, born July 10th. 1902. They have two children.
							1	Pearl Marie Booth, born Nov. 3rd. 1920.
							2	Darline Joy Booth, born April 23rd. 1922.
					6			Olive Booth, born Feb. 3rd. 1857, in Pine Rock Twp. Ogle Co. Ill. Married Robert J. Wood of Austin Ill. He was born in 1845. They moved to 3972 Lindenwood Place, Riverside, Calif. He died Dec. 11th. 1930.
					7			Manford Booth, born April 25th. 1860 and died Dec. 31st. 1861, in Pine Rock Twp. OgleCo. Ill.
					8			Harriett Alice Booth, born May 29th. 1863 in Pine Rock Twp. Ogle Co. Ill. Married Joseph H. Williams of the same Twp.
						1		Twins were born to them Nov. 29th. 1889. One died at birth,
						2		the other lived but a few days. They now reside in Rochelle. Ill.
						3		Grace Williams was born in Pine Rock Twp. Ogle Co. Ill. June 7th. 1891. She married G. Eldred Marsh Sept. 18th. 1912. He was born June 12th. 1881. They have one son.
							1	Joseph Arlen Marsh born Nov. 16th. 1913.
					9			George Moyer Booth, married Minnie Judd of Sugar Grove, Kane Co. Ill. Nov. 2nd. 1887. Minnie was born April 15th. 1868. They had 5 children. Minnie died Sept. 17th. 1911
						1		Esther Booth, was born at Naperville, Ill. Sept. 3rd. 1888.
						2		Thomas Judd Booth was born at Napervill, Ill. March 11th. 1890. He married Catherine Watgen, who was born at Shakopee, Minn. March 23rd. 1891. They have two children
							1	Wilbur Thomas Booth born Nov. 14th. 1917 at Lee, Ill.
							2	Thomas Judd booth was born Oct. 29th. 1923 at Hinckley, Illinois.
						3		Frank Booth was born July 27th. 1892 at Sugar Grove, Ill. Married Abbie Gardner of Kaneville, Ill. They have one son.
							1	Blakely Gardner Booth. No dates given.
						4		Percy Booth was born July 27th. 1894 at Sugar Grove, Ill.
						5		Electa Emily Booth was born Jan. 18th 1901 at Sugar Grove. Ill. Dec. 11th. 1920. She married Jens A Johnson in Aurora, Ill. Jens was born Jan. 1st. 1898.
							1	Donald Booth Johnson was born June 22nd. 1923.
								On Sept 19th. 1923 at Valpariso, Ind. George Moyer Booth and FlorenceTaff were married. She was born July 2nd 1876. They reside at Sugar Grove, Ill.
						6		GeorgeMoyer Booth Jr. was born July 13th. 1915.
					10			Ida May Booth was born Feb. 6th. 1866 and died May 27th. 1872.
					11			Arthur James Booth was born Dec. 22nd. 1869 and died in 1870, no exact date can begiven.
					12			Nellie Adell Booth was born April 30th. 1871. She and John Cross were married Nov. 2nd. 1887 at Chana, Ill.

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								John Gross died at his home in Oregon, Ogle Co. Ill. Most of his life-work was in the school room, being County Superintendant of Schools for several years, which office he held at the time of his death. They had 4 children.
					1			LeRoy Cross was born Oct. 19th. 1886 at Creston, Ogle Co. Illinois. and died Aug. 11th. 1910. He married Clara and they had two children.
						1		Vern Cross,
						2		Margarite Cross) I have no dates foreither of them.
					2			Cecil Cross was born Aug. 7th. 1894 at Chana, Ill. Married John Ward Scott Feb. 20th. 1921, who was born Jan. 20th. 1894 at Polo, Ogle Co. Ill. They have three children.
						1		John Ward Scott Jr was born Oct. 31st. 1921 at Clinton Iowa.
						2		Margaret Jane Scott was born Sept 25th. 1923, at Joliet.
						3		Marilyn Cecil Scott was born Aug. 22nd. 1924 at Joliet, Ill.
					3			Clarence S. Cross was born April 12th. 1890 and married Ruth Alma Chamberlain who was born Aug. 21st. 1888. They weremarried July 6th. 1909. She died Dec. 15 1916. They had one son.
						1.		J.C. Eugene Cross, was born March 6th. 1910.
								On Nov. 12th. 1918 Clarence married Lois Boraniel She was born Jan. 8th. 1893. They have 4 children.
						2		Robert LeRoy Cross was born Jan. 3rd. 1920.
						3		Donald James Cross was born Aug. 25th. 1921.
						4		Rolland August Cross was born Oct 24th. 1922.
						5		Richard Ward Cross was born Aug 3rd. 1924.
					4			Maud Fay Cross was born Dec. 29th. 1896. On July 3rd. 1920 she and Rolland C. Stilson of South Bend. Ind. were married. He was born Jan. 30th. 1892. They have four children.
							1	John Eleyn Stilson was born Nov. 28th. 1921.
							2	Donald Earl Stilson was born May 8th. 1923.
							3	Joy Marcel Stilson was born Nov. 17th. 1925.
					13		4	Sybil Nellie Stilson was born Sept. 15th. 1927.
					13			Maggie May Booth was born March 17th. 1873. April 28th. 1897 she was united in marriage to Phil Judd of Sugar Grove, Kane Co. Ill. at the home of Joseph H. Williams in Pine Rock Twp. ogle Co. Ill. They have 2 children and reside at Sugar Grove.
						1		Charlotte Judd was born Aug. 22nd. 1898 and married Wy Wylie Evans of Aurora, Ill. They reside at 268 No Lake St Aurora, Ill.
						2		Wesley Judd Was born May 5th. 1902. Is still at home and single.
					14			Lena Maud Booth was born May 15th. 1877 and died in 1879.
					15			Glenn Russell Booth was born July 24th 1881 at Chana. Ill. Married Violet May West on July 24th. 1902. She is the daughter of William and Emma Bishop West of Sugar Grove. Ill. She was born in Maidstone, Kent Co, England March 5th. 1883. They have one child.

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					1			Ruth Mildred Booth, was born April 7th.1904 at Batavia Ill. Married June 4th.1928 at Oregon Ill. at the home of her aunt Nellie Cross to Harry A.Sheets of Maurertown Virginia where they will reside.
			9					Eliza Booth Married Jesse Andrus. They had 6 children. Jesse died or was killed andthrown into the Wabash River. The latter is the was in which people thought he met his death. He lived in a hot-bed of Southern sympathesisers and being a strong republican it was supposed he met with foul play.at the hands of his enemies.
				1				Hanna Jane Andrus married John Ramsdell, no dates.
				2				Mary Ellen Andrus No dates.
				3				John Andrus " "
				4				Philemon Andrus " "
				5				William Andrus " "
				6				Rosette Sophia Andrus" "
			10					Maria Lillian Booth the eighth child of Wade Hampton and Jane Booth, was first married to Willard Watts and lived in Sullivan Co. Ind. They had one child.
				1				Candacy Watts She died in infancy. Willard also died and I find no record of his death. On Sept.17th. 1847 Maria was united in marriage to Henderson Isbell, in Prairieton Ind. who first married Jane Edney in 1842. Jane was born in 1822, they had one child. Henderson was born in 1816.
				1				Lucinda Isbell born March 14th.1843, died Nov.13th.1900. She marriedJames M.Kirby Jan. 5th.1865. James was born Sept 8th. 1837. They had three children.
					1			Emma Kirby born Oct.9th.1865. Was married to Enoch P. Carson Aug. 31st 1886. Enoch died July 10th.1896. They had 4 children.. After remaining a widow till Sept 1st.1926 she married Edgar A.Lee, who was first married to Emma's sister Melissa. They now reside at Del Norte Colorado.
						1		Maurice Wendle Carson was born Dec. 16th.1888. Married Freda Sherman July 3rd.1909. She died Nov. 29th. 1918. They had two children.
							1	Nova May Carson no dates given.
							2	Vern Carson married Bibia Collville Feb. 6th.1921.
						2		James Roy Carson born sept 8th.1890. Married Alice Jennings Dec.11th.1911. They have three children.
							1	Glyn Carson born Aug.26th.1913.
							2	Dixie Carson born July 26th.1917.
							3	Jack Carson born Aug.1st.1920.
						3		Fred Carson born March 14th.1894. Married Marjel Wright Feb.11th.1921.
						4		Edna Carson born Aug.1st. 1896. Married William Lester Jordon Sept. 16th.1914. He is a rural mail carrier andraises small fruit and vegetables. They have five children.

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1 Dorothy Jordon born Dec.12th.1915.
2 Emma Virginia Jordon born Sept. 8th.1917.
3 William Lester Jordon born Sept 19th.1919.
4 James Roy Jordon born Sept. 9th.1921.
5 Robert Jordon born Oct. 16th.1926.

2 Malissa Kirby born April 19th.1868. Married Edgar A. Lee March 16th.1889. They had 4 children. She died Dec.8th.1921. Edgar afterwards married Emma Carson, her sister Sept 1st.1926.

1 Joe Davis Lee born June 12th.1893, Married Margaret Cooper June8th.1921. They haveone child.

1 Margaret Lee, no date given (Mary)

2 James Kirby Lee born Jan 8th.1900. Married Edith Roark Aug.21st.1927.

3 Lucile Lee no date of birth. Died march 16th.1910.

4 Lula Lee is now (1928) attending college at Ottawa Kan.

3 Samuel Kirby born March 28th. 1870. Married Lula May Lee Sept 16th.1891. They reside on an extension of Lawrence Ave. Wichita Kan .(R.F.D.) They have three children.

1 William Kirby born Nov.29th.1894, married Elizabeth Coopey Junel6th.1927.

2 George Kirby born Oct 23rd. 1896. Married Catherine Rosencrans May 15th.1920. Have three children.

1 Doris Lee Kirby born Dec.31st 1920.
2 Lila Sue Kirby born May 29th.1922.
3 Jack Lyn Kirby born Oct. 29th.1926.

3 Louise Kirby born March 10th.1906. Married Dolores Cuttler Nov. 25th.1926. They haveonedaughter.

1, Mary Lee Kirby born June 22nd 1927.

2 Joseph Isbell born in 1848. At the ageof 15 he enlisted in the Civil War. His company were all poisoned and he camenhome and after suffering terribly for three months died.

3 Millard Isbell born in 1850, died in 1870 or 1871.

4 Alice Isbell born Nov 1st.1852, and died April 17th. 1902. She married Chauncy R.Pritchard in Prairieton Vigo Co. Ind. They had two children.

1 Anna Lillian Pritchard born Dec.20th.1870. Married William H.Brill in 1912, of Weston Mo. She now resides in Neosho, Mo.

2 Joseph Royce Pritchard born June 17th. 1873, Married Stella Chenoweth in 1900. They reside in Neosho Mo.

5 James Isbell born in 1856 and died in infancy.

6 Minerva Isbell born in 1856 and died in 1878, She married Ira Huffman and they had two children.

1 Mildred Huffman , died when a small child.

2 Mollie Huffman Married Jesse Lawrence and they had one daughter and reside at weathersford Okla.

7 Mary Rose Isbell whom we nicknamed Mollie was born in 1858, married Marion Kirby in 1877 and died in 1878 leaving oneinfant daughter six weeks old by the name

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								of Helena Kirby. Marion was a brother of James kirby who married Lucinda Isbell a half sister of Mary's.
					1			Helena Kirby born in 1878, married Henry Robbins in 1896 They reside in Wichita Kan. at 345 No Vassar Ave. He was born Jan 1st 1864.
						1		Neal Robbins born Oct 31st1897, was married to Agnes Lena Fulgrum Jan 10th.1925. They reside in Wichita Kan. and have one daughter. Agnes was born at New pines. Ohio.
							1	Patty Leah Robbins born Feb. 15th.1928.
				8				Martha Maria Isbell.(We called her mattie) was born July 15th.1860. She married Isom Osborn in May 1885 and had 8 children. She died June 28th. 1920.
					1			Grace Anna Osborn born June 24th. 1886, at Middletown, ind. She spent her girlhood days there and was married to Orville Akers March the 4th.1906. The ceremony was performed in the M.E.Church at 8 o'clock P.M. Orville Was born Sept 8th.1883. They now reside at 225 Liberty Ave. Terre Haute Ind. Have two children.
						1		Harold Akers born July 22nd.1907. Lives with his parents.
					2	2		A son born July 24th.1910. died Oct. 21st 1912.
					2			Millard Isbell Osborn born May 28th.1890. He lives at 224 So fourth St Terre Haute Ind. with his second wife. First wife died leaving a son. Do not know its name nor have no dates for it.
					3			Ethel Osborn born Aug 19th.1890. She died May 27th.1912 Was married to Mr.McDaniels.
					4			Mary Osborn born June16th.1892. Died July 23rd.1910.
					5			Alice Osborn born in 1894, Died in 1896
					6			Earnest Osborn born May 24th.1896 Died March 4th.1919.
					7			Inez Marie Osborn born Oct 28th.1899. Married Argyle Grant King Jan 24th 1919. They have one daughter. They reside at 348 Bluff Park Ave. Wichita Kan. He is engaged in the drug business.
						1		Peggie Marie King born March 4th.1925.
					8			Harry Neal Osborn born Nov 10th.1901. Is now living with his sister Mrs Orville Akers.
					9			Henrietta Osborn born Sept 10th.1904. Married Charles Stubbs, of 2290 Buena Vista Ave, Detroit,Mich.
				9				Josephene Isbell born in 1871, Married John Boden, and they live near Osborne Kan. R.F.D.
			11					Susan Booth was married twice. . First to Lyman Watts. Second to Andrew Fisk She had two children by Watts and 6 by Fisk.
				1				Lyman Watts Jr. married Mary Paddock and they had one child but I never learned its name. She was related to the Paddocks of Ashton, Ill.
				2				Moses Watts married but I never learned his wife's name nor how many children they had. After Watts died Susan married Fisk and they had 6 children.

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				3				Martha Fisk married A.B.Rynerson.
				4				Josiah Fisk, no dates.
				5				Andrew FiskJr " "
				6				Samuel Fisk " "
				7				William Fisk " "
				8				Maria Jans Fisk" "
			12					Rosetta Sophia Booth married Joseph Kite at Terre Haute They moved to Illinois and then to Iowa near to Tama City and had 5 children.
				1				Mary Jane Kite died in 1852. Is buried in Chapel Hill Cemetery, Ogle Co. Ill.
				2				Edward Kite born in 1852, never married, Died in Iowa.
				3				Emma Kite born in 1855, married Herman Kelley of TamaCity.
				4	1			Mabel Kelley, no dates.
					2			Benjamin " married but to whom I do not know.
				4				Martha Kite married George Benning. They had 4 children.
					1			Maud Benning no dates.
					2			Joseph Benning " "
					3			Hazel Benning " "
					4			William Benning " "
				5				Carrie Kite married but but can not give the name.
				6				Emma Kite died single at the age of 27.
				7				John James Kite died in infancy.
				8				Maud Kite married Jame Riley and had two children.
					1			Ada Riley born in 1880.
					2			Alta Riley born in 1882.

1								Thomas Tongat
	1							Tillis Tongat
		1						Jane Tongat.
			1					John Wesley Booth.
				1				William Wade Booth.
					1			Harriet Ada Booth
						1		Fay Ellen Provost;
							1	Vera Irene Welch the first 33 in the8th generation.1921.

1								Thomas Tongat
	1							Tillis Tongat.
		1						Jane Tingat.
			1					Maria Lillison Booth Isbell.
				1				Mary Rose Isbell Kirby.
					1			Helena Kirby Robbins.
						1		Neal Robbins.
							1	Patty Leah Robbins. The second born in the8th.generation born in 1928.

Note One Tongat or Tongate

In the census of Indiana of 1840 we find one Merideth Tongate's age is given as 51. It also states that he was a Revolutionary soldier,but if he served in that war his age is incorrectly stated. It is more likely that he served in the war of 1812, and since he was a resident of Orange Co. Ind. the same as Jane Tongat Booth very likely he was related to our ancestors in some manner, but not as a brother. Though the names is speled differently this difference is orwas a common thing in those days. The name Booth was once burdened with an"e" but later dropped.

In therecords of the soldiers of 1812 we find Captain John Yantis, Company of Infantry of Kentuckey Malitia, detached, commanded by Lt.Col. Wm. Dudley.

Private John Huffman Feb.27-#-1813 to Aug 27-1813.
" William " " 27- " " " 27-1813.
" Merideth Tongate March 29th -1813 to Sept 28-1813. Merideth was taken prisoner and paroled.

Since Tongate's and Huffman's terms of service were the same the inference is that they were members of our family as given in our Genealogy The similarity of names would indicate it very probable. There were also James, and James Hampton Jr. Also Wade Hampton, March 9-1813 to Sept 9-1813 and March 29-1812 to April 23-1813. Captain Peter Dudley Cl.of Inf. Col. William Boswell.

In Augusta County Va.Court Records of1812 Thomas Tongate moved to Amhurst Co. about 1796 There appeared in marriage records thefollowing; Benjamin Booth of Charlston S.C. and Isabell A Compton of S.C. married April 20th.1797. He may have been Wade's brother, yet I have no way of proving it. He was a resident of Va. and may have gone to S.C. for a short term of years and after marrying Miss Compton may have returned to Va. and located at Richmond, or near there.

Note 2. Hampton.

Anthony Hampton andfamily moved from Va. to S.C. ##### Their son Russell was captured by theindians but escaped andwent home and notified his people that the indians were on the war path. Anthony sent someof the younger children to notify the neighbors. Theindians came and Anthony offered to shakehands with them but they scalped and killed him. His wife and Russell and a grand child, Mr and Mrs Harrison thefather ###### and mother of the child witnessed the cruel deed. Mr Harrison held his hand over his wife's lips to prevent her from screaming, and by making no outcry and by keeping still escaped and they afterward moved to Spartensberg S.C. and reared seven sons.

Note 3. Hampton.

A.H.Weeks of Pimento Vigo Co. Ind. is a son ofLewis And Susan(Hampton) Weeks and was born in Poudonin Co Va. Of his father's family three were born in Va. Six in Ky. and Three in Vigo Co Ind. His parents settled in Vigo Co. Oct.6th.1832.

Mr Charles Lewis Dean born in Anderson S.C. was a lineal descendant of Anthony Hampton through Elizabeth Hampton Harrison, as follows#78688 Descendant of James Harrison, Captain Benjamin Kilgore and Anthony Hampton, Granddaughter of Samuel Girard born 1789-died 1858 and Elizabeth Hampton Harrison born 1803-died 1865. (Hiswife.

The Great Grand Daughter of John Hampton Harrison (B1777)& Jennie Jenkins
" " " " " James Harrison and Elizabeth Hampton(1758-1799) (his wife)

The Great Great Grand Daughter of Anthony Hampton & Elizabeth Preston (Hiswife (d 1776)

Anthony Hampton 1710 --1776 Patriot of Spartensberg S.C..

Thefollowing was furnished by Hilton S.Hampton,now of Tampa Florida.

1.2.3.4.5.6.7.8.

1 John Hampton and wife Margaret
1 Anthony Hampton of S.C. was the father of
1 General Wade Hampton of S.C.(We have hisname in our genealogy.)
2 Thomas and Sarah Conyers Hampton of Pittsylvania Co. Va. were married in 1749 in Stratford Co Va. He was a brither of Anthony Hampton.
1 Henry Hampton , thefounder ofHamptonville N.C. He died in 1832.
1 The name of of Thomas Hampton's father is ommitted.
1 Thomas F.Hmpton
1 Hilton S Hampton Nowof TampaFla.

Note 4. Hall.

Frome the history of Vigo Co. Megginson Hall isrecorded as a farmer, living near Terre Haute, and was born in England Dec.14th1842. His parents came to America in 1843 and settled in Vigo Co. His father's name was William Hall. In 1868, at theage of26, he married Nancy Huffman,daughter of William Huffman of Terre Haute. She was born in Vigo Co. Nov. 25-1844.

Note 5 Booth.

In thehistory of Harrison Co Va. John Booth ismentioned as an heir of Captain James Booth in connection with a controversy over a tract of land containing 400 acres. It is quite probable that they were Closely related to Wade Hampton Booth as thenames are common to both families.

Wade Hampton Booth must have moved to Vigo Co. as early as 1839, for there appears on the Co.Records theaccount of his first purchase of land Aug. 14th.1839. A second purchase Feb'y. 3rd.1841. He moved to Ogle Co.Ill. about the year of 1854 and lived with his son John Wesley where he died. His wife Jane continued to live at the same place till about theyear of1867 or 68, then returned to Vigo Co. Ind. to reside with her daughters and died in a few years after returning to Terre Haute.